# 1000 Phrasal Verbs in Context

a self-study guide for
intermediate to advanced students

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WITH ANSWERS

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# Introduction

*1000 Phrasal Verbs in Context* is designed to help intermediate to advanced learners of English improve their knowledge of phrasal verbs. It can be used as a self-study guide by learners, or the material can be used by teachers in their EFL/ESL classes.

The book presents over 1,000 phrasal verbs in alphabetical order. The first section has phrasal verbs beginning with the letter 'a', followed by a set of quiz questions that test them. The second section has phrasal verbs beginning with the letter 'b', followed by another set of quiz questions, and so on.

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| **chop up** | Could you **chop up** some vegetables and put them in the soup, please? There's a knife over there. | chop up sth<br>chop sth up |
| Let's chop those old boards up and use them as firewood. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cut up** |

Fig 1. Table presenting the phrasal verb 'chop up' (from p. 22)

Each phrasal verb is presented in its own table (see Fig. 1), and each table has:

- two example sentences, one with the phrasal verb colour-highlighted
- patterns of usage (e.g. 'chop up sth'/ 'chop sth up')
- references to related phrasal verbs (e.g. 🕮 *see also:* **cut up**)
- space to write your own example sentence (under ✍ )
- space to write your own notes (under ✍ or 🕮 )

You may have noticed that there is no definition. This is because one of the best ways to learn phrasal verbs is to see them in context, and then figure out the meaning for yourself. It seems that if learners do this, they can get a clearer idea of the meaning, and a better understanding of how the phrasal verb is used, than they would by just memorizing a definition or a synonym. But figuring out a phrasal verb's meaning by seeing just one example of its use can be difficult, so in this book you are given two example sentences. To learn a new phrasal verb, start off by reading the sentence in which the phrasal verb is colour-highlighted. When you think you've worked out what it means, see if the meaning fits the second sentence as well. If it does, you can be fairly sure that you've found the correct meaning. If it doesn't, study both sentences again and see if you can get the correct meaning. If you really can't figure out the meaning, or if you're not sure whether the meaning you've come up with is correct or not, you can look the phrasal verb up in a dictionary. If the dictionary gives several meanings, make sure you find the one that fits the context in both the example sentences. Then you can write notes in the table to help you to remember it if you like (see Fig. 2).

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| **chop up** | Could you **chop up** some vegetables and put them in the soup, please? There's a knife over there. | chop up sth<br>chop sth up |
| Let's chop those old boards up and use them as firewood. | ✍ *The cat is hungry so I'm chopping up some meat for her.* | 🕮 *see also:* **cut up**<br>*cut into small pieces* |

Fig 2. Write your own example sentences and add your own notes.

Your notes can be written in English, or in your own language if you prefer. You can also make up and write your own example sentences. This will help you to remember the phrasal verbs, and it will also help you to remember how to use them correctly. If possible, have a teacher or a fluent speaker check your sentences for you.

Over 1,000 quiz questions are also included. All the questions are in the 'missing word' or cloze format. A sentence is given in which one word is missing, and you have to figure out what the missing word is (see Fig. 3). You are shown where the word fits in the sentence, and told how many letters it contains. In all the questions the missing word is part of a phrasal verb, either the verb (e.g. 'chop') or the particle (e.g. 'up').

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| 36 | Jenny looks a bit sad. Do you think a movie would cheer her _ _ ? | (2 letters) |
| 37 | After a hard day's work, I like to chill _ _ _ by watching TV. | (3 letters) |
| 38 | We should get our gardener to _ _ _ _ down that dead tree. | (4 letters) |
| 39 | Use this knife to chop _ _ the vegetables for the soup. | (2 letters) |
| 40 | The police are trying to clamp _ _ _ _ on drug dealers. | (4 letters) |
| 41 | If you make a mess in the kitchen, please _ _ _ _ _ it up. | (5 letters) |

Fig 3. Some of the questions testing phrasal verbs beginning with 'c' (from p. 32)

The quiz questions can be used in several ways. You can test yourself before studying to find out which phrasal verbs you need to learn. You can also do the quiz questions just after you've studied some of the phrasal verbs in order to check your understanding. The questions can also be used for revision. A couple of days after you've learned some of the phrasal verbs, do the questions that test them again. Keep doing them every few days until you get them all correct. Answer sheets are provided at the back of the book (pp. 145-149), and you can check your answers in the Answer Key (pp. 150-153).

You can also find two appendixes at the back of the book. Appendix 1 (p. 154) is a small selection of recommended phrasal verb dictionaries and study guides. Appendix 2 (p. 155) is a collection of links to various online resources, including dictionaries, grammar notes, interactive games and phrasal verb quizzes in various formats.

**Key to Abbreviations**

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| sb | somebody |
| sth | something |
| inf | informal |
| Brit | British English |
| Am | American English |
| Aust | Australian English |

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| **account for** | How can we **account for** the high electricity bill this month? Did we use the air-conditioning more than usual? | account for sth |
| Part of her job is to record and account for all the company's expenses. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **act as** | Bobby is a big guy and he has studied boxing, so he can **act as** my bodyguard as well as my driver. | act as sth |
| The hairs in the nose act as filters to help keep dust out of our lungs. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **function as** |

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| **act on** | You should **act on** your teacher's advice and try to learn these phrasal verbs. | act on sth |
| We're acting on our tax lawyer's advice to set up an offshore company. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **act up** (informal) | My computer was **acting up**, so I took it a repair shop near my house and had it fixed. | act up |
| I'll have to miss golf as my knee is acting up again and it's very sore. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **play up** (inf) |

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| **add to** | On the film's opening night, the surprise appearance of several famous movie stars **added to** the excitement. | add to sth<br>add sth to sth |
| It's reputation for friendly staff added a lot to the hotel's value. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **contribute to** |

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| **add up** | I don't believe his story. There are too many things that don't make sense and the whole thing just doesn't **add up**. | add up<br>(Usually negative, as in 'It doesn't add up.') |
| The boss's claim that he didn't know doesn't add up. He must have known. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **add up to** | What do 10, 7 and 6 **add up to**? Do they **add up to** 22, or is it 23? | add up to<br>add up to sth |
| I've checked the receipts for expenses, and they add up to over $10,000. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come to** |

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| **aim at** | The new ads for Levi jeans are **aimed at** young people in particular and, like all ads, they're **aimed at** increasing sales. | (be) aimed at sb/sth<br>(be) aimed at doing sth<br>aim sth at sb/sth |
| We've aimed this book at people who really want to learn phrasal verbs. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **allow for** | When you figure out what time to leave for the airport, **allow** time **for** traffic jams, and also take the weather into account. | allow for sth<br>allow sth for sth |
| When you make the budget, don't forget to allow for rising prices. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **factor in** |

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| **amount to** | A music CD needs to sell 100,000 copies or more to be a hit. Selling 10,000 copies doesn't really **amount to** success in the music business. | amount to sth |
| Does having had two books published amount to a career as a writer? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **answer back** | My son got into trouble at school for being impolite by **answering back** to his teacher. | answer back **to** sb<br>answer sb back |
| One of our players was sent off for answering back to the referee. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **talk back** |

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| **appeal for** | After the earthquake, the government **appealed for** emergency aid and assistance from neighbouring countries. | appeal for sth<br>appeal for sth from sb<br>appeal to sb for sth |
| After she disappeared, the girl's family appealed to the public for help. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **ask for** |

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| **appeal to** | Teenagers are a major market for mobile phones, so we need to design a range of cool phones that will **appeal to** them. | appeal to sb |
| The small apartments will appeal to single people more than families. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **apply to** | The company's new regulation to ban smoking in offices **applies to** everyone, from cleaners and guards to the CEO. | apply to sb |
| Some young people from rich families think the law doesn't apply to them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **arrive at** | After doing research into diet, he **arrived at** the conclusion that a good diet included fish and seafood but didn't include animals or birds. | arrive at sth |
| They arrived at the retail price by considering all their production costs. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **ask after** | I got an email from Elisa and she **asked after** you. I said you were fine and doing well in your new job. | ask after sb |
| Whenever I meet James, he asks after you and I tell him you're fine. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **ask for** | If you get lost, **ask** someone **for** directions to your hotel and they'll tell you where to go. | ask for sth<br>ask sb for sth |
| I tell my staff not to be afraid of asking for help or advice if they need it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **ask out** | If you like Mirka, you should **ask** her **out.** Tell her you'd like to take her to dinner and then see a movie or go dancing or whatever. | ask sb out<br>ask sb out for sth |
| Do you think it's strange for a girl to ask a guy out for dinner or for a date? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **invite out** |

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| **ask over / around** | We're **asking** some friends **over** to our new apartment for dinner on Saturday night. | ask sb over<br>ask sb around |
| Let's ask a few people from work around to play cards on Sunday. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **invite over / around** |

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| **attach to** | You shouldn't **attach** too much importance **to** what the critics say about your book. What really matters is what your readers think. | attach sth to sth |
| I think our boss attaches too much significance to how someone looks. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **attend to** | We have to make sure there are enough sales staff in our stores to **attend to** all the customers who need help, especially at busy times. | attend to sb/sth |
| There're two more issues that we should attend to in today's meeting. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **deal with, see to** |

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| **average out** | Some days we sell more, some days we sell less, but sales **average out** at about 150 units a day. | average out<br>average sth out<br>average out at sth |
| His income depends on sales, but it averages out at about $3,000 a month. | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **A a**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'a'...**

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| 1 We'll have to account _ _ _ the missing money somehow. | (3 letters) |
| 2 Maria sometimes has to _ _ _ as our babysitter as well as our maid. | (3 letters) |
| 3 You should act _ _ your doctor's advice to eat more fruit and vegetables. | (2 letters) |
| 4 My printer was _ _ _ _ _ _ up so I had to get it fixed. | (6 letters) |
| 5 A good light show adds a lot _ _ the excitement of a rock concert. | (2 letters) |
| 6 I don't believe his story. It just doesn't add _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 7 The electricity and telephone bills _ _ _ up to $325.00. | (3 letters) |
| 8 The ads for the new jeans are aimed _ _ teenagers. | (2 letters) |
| 9 Don't forget to _ _ _ _ _ enough time for traffic jams on the way to the airport. | (5 letters) |
| 10 Having one book published doesn't really amount _ _ a career as a writer. | (2 letters) |
| 11 He got into trouble for answering _ _ _ _ to his teacher. | (4 letters) |
| 12 The Red Cross had to appeal _ _ _ more money to help people after the earthquake. | (3 letters) |
| 13 Our new line of watches is designed to _ _ _ _ _ _ to young professional people. | (6 letters) |
| 14 The tax increases only _ _ _ _ _ to people in the top income brackets. | (5 letters) |
| 15 We arrived _ _ our conclusions after studying all the evidence. | (2 letters) |
| 16 I got an email from Mark and he _ _ _ _ _ after you, so I said you were fine. | (5 letters) |
| 17 If you get lost, _ _ _ someone for directions. | (3 letters) |
| 18 If you like her, you should ask her _ _ _ on a date. | (3 letters) |
| 19 We're going to _ _ _ some friends over for dinner tomorrow night. | (3 letters) |
| 20 You shouldn't attach any importance _ _ what people say when they've been drinking. | (2 letters) |
| 21 She has to _ _ _ _ _ _ to two customers at once if there aren't enough sales staff. | (6 letters) |
| 22 Her income depends on sales of her books, but it averages _ _ _ at about $10,000 a month. | (3 letters) |

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| **back down** | The workers refused to **back down** on their demand for higher wages and voted to continue their strike. | back down<br>back down on sth |
| The president wouldn't back down on his decision despite its unpopularity. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **back out** | Before the election, the president promised to cut taxes if he won. But after being elected he **backed out**, saying they couldn't afford to. | back out |
| They'd agreed to increase wages, but backed out when their profits fell. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go back on** (esp. 'Go back on one's word') |

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| **back out of** | The company **backed out of** the agreement it had signed to cut down on carbon emissions, saying the cost was now too high. | back out of sth |
| The government backed out of the deal to release the prisoners. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pull out (of)** |

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| **back up** | When writing your essay, state your thesis and then **back up** what you say with examples to show that it's true. | back up sth<br>back sth up |
| The prosecutor backed his claim up with enough evidence to prove it. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **back up** | I'll **back** you **up** if anyone says you're lying. I know what you're saying is true and I'll do whatever I can to help you. | back sb up |
| We trust Sue and backed her up when the company accused her of stealing. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **stand up for, stick by** |

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| **bail out** | After he called and said he'd been arrested and locked up in a cell, I went to the police station and **bailed out** my troublesome son. | bail out sb<br>bail sb out |
| Whenever Jim gets into debt, his parents bail him out by giving him money. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **bank on** | We couldn't set up the computer network ourselves, so we're **banking on** an IT engineer from the university to set it up for us. | bank on sth/sb<br>bank on sb to do sth<br>bank on sb doing sth |
| They say the only two things we can bank on in life are death and taxes. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **count on, depend on** |

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| **base on** | They always **base** their new designs **on** the latest market research. | base sth on sth<br>(be) based on sth |
| Our prices are based on the cost of production and customer expectations. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **bear down on** | The protesters looked scared as police **bore down on** them, waving their batons as they moved in. | bear down on sb/sth |
| Everyone was worried as the cyclone bore down on their city. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **close in (on)** |

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| **bear on / upon** | The judge said that the new evidence didn't **bear on** the case and couldn't be presented in court. | bear on sth<br>bear upon sth |
| We only need information that bears directly upon the issue being looked at. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **bear up** | Naomi **bears up** well when she's in a difficult situation. She stays calm and deals with the situation as well as she can. | bear up |
| Mike's a good designer, but he doesn't bear up well under pressure. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **beat down** | I got the car for a good price. They wanted $10,000 at first, but I **beat** them **down** to $8,400. | beat sb down |
| We can usually beat our suppliers down by at least 10% from their first price. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **beat up** | Brad told us about the time he was **beaten up** on the street by a gang of thugs and had to go to hospital. | beat up sb<br>beat sb up<br>(be) beaten up by sb |
| He said the police beat him up to make him sign the confession. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **rough up** (inf) |

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| **become of** | Does anyone know what **became of** Mary after she left school? I've never heard anything about her. | become of sb/sth |
| What became of that game for learning English? Is it still available? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **happen to** |

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| **beef up** | The Australian government decided to **beef up** security at all their embassies after a terrorist attack on their embassy in Jakarta. | beef up sth<br>beef sth up |
| The coach decided to buy some players to beef up the team's weak defence. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **begin with** | All of our classes **begin with** some conversation practice. The teacher comes in and asks us how we are and what we've been doing. | begin with sth |
| His first name is Rick, which begins with the letter 'r'. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **start off (with)** |

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| **believe in** | Not many people **believe in** ghosts these days, but when I was young many people **believed in** them. | believe in sth |
| Our boss believes in the power of positive thinking and teaches us about it. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **belong to** | Who does that big Harley Davidson motorbike in the carpark **belong to**? Is it yours? | belong to sb/sth |
| The DVD isn't mine. It belongs to the school, so I can't lend it to anyone. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **bet on** | Sue said she'd help us make food for the party, but I wouldn't **bet on** it. She often promises to do things, but then says she can't for some reason. | bet on sth/sb<br>(Usually negative, as in 'Don't bet on it.') |
| It might be a good day for golf, but I wouldn't bet on it. It could easily rain. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **bank on**, **count on** |

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| **black out** | The storm **blacked out** the city and there wasn't any electricity for over an hour. | black out sth |
| The city was blacked out when the power plant workers went on strike. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **black out** | Jim drank so much whisky that he **blacked out**. We had to throw water on his face to wake him up. | black out |
| I don't remember anything about it, so I must have blacked out. | | *see also:* **pass out** |

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| **block out** | It's too bright in here. Let's close the curtains to **block out** the sunlight. | block out sth<br>block sth out |
| Close the windows to block sounds out before you start to meditate. | | *see also:* **shut out** |

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| **block up** | It smells really bad in the bathroom. The pipes must be **blocked up** again. | (be) blocked up<br>block up sth<br>block sth up |
| He couldn't hear properly because wax was blocking his ears up. | | *see also:* **clog up** |

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| **blow away** | I lost my favourite hat today. I was standing on a cliff when a strong gust of wind **blew** it **away** and it went sailing down into the sea. | blow away<br>blow sth away<br>blow away sth |
| If you stand downwind your cigarette smoke will be blown away from us. | | |

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| **blow out** | Becky **blew out** the candles on her birthday cake, and then she made a wish. | blow out<br>blow out sth<br>blow sth out |
| Make sure the flame in the lamp doesn't blow out. Lighting it isn't easy. | | |

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| **blow over** | The story was in the newspapers for a while, but it soon **blew over** and nobody heard anything more about it. | blow over |
| In politics, scandals blow over fairly quickly unless they involve crime. | | *see also:* **die down** |

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| **blow up** | The terrorists planned to **blow up** the bridge, but they were killed when the bomb **blew up** in their truck on the way. | blow up<br>blow up sth<br>blow sth up |
| The police blew the bag up because they thought it contained a bomb. | | |

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| **blow up** | Could you come to the party early and help me **blow** the balloons **up**? | blow sth up<br>blow up sth |
| Check the pressure in your car's tyres and blow them up if it's too low. | | |

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| **bounce back** | It's been a bad year for our company, but I'm sure we'll **bounce back** and do better than ever next year. | bounce back |
| It didn't take David Beckham long to bounce back after his injury. | | |

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| **bow out** | After being captain of the team for ten years, Roberto **bowed out** so that a younger player could take over. | bow out<br>bow out of sth |
| After leading the Labor Party for ten years, Bob bowed out of politics. | | *see also:* **step down**, **stand down** |

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| **bowl over** | Ken was **bowled over** by the news that Barbie was having a baby. He was very surprised and happy. | (be) bowled over<br>(be) bowled over by sth |
| As we sat on the beach, we were bowled over by the beauty of the sunset. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **(be) knocked out** (inf.) |

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| **branch out** | Karl has always written about science, but now he's **branching out** into other areas such as philosophy and history. | branch out<br>branch out into sth |
| We should branch out into other types of business to diversify. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break away** | The people in the south of the country wanted to **break away** and form their own separate state. | break away<br>break away from sth |
| After the conflict, a few politicians broke away to form their own party. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break down** | When Katie was driving to work her car **broke down**, so she left it on the side of the road and took a taxi instead. | break down |
| Talks between the army and rebels broke down after more bomb attacks. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break down** | She **broke down** at the funeral, so I gave her a tissue to wipe the tears from her eyes. | break down |
| He broke down and cried when his son's body was returned from the war. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break in** | You should **break in** your new football boots by wearing them at training for a while before using them in a real match. | break in sth<br>break sth in |
| I got blisters on my feet while I was breaking my new running shoes in. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break in** | Martina was having a conversation but I had to **break in** and tell her that her daughter was on the phone and needed to talk to her urgently. | break in<br>break in on sth |
| They broke in on our meeting to tell us we had to evacuate the building. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **butt in** |

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| **break into** | The thieves **broke into** the house and stole some valuable paintings and jewellery. | break into sth |
| Someone broke into our computer network and stole some important data. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break off** | William **broke off** his engagement to Kate after they'd had an argument, but they soon made up and eventually got married. | break off sth<br>break sth off |
| The two sides couldn't agree, so they broke the negotiations off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **call off** |

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| **break out** | Many people were angry when the government increased the price of oil and petrol, and protests **broke out** on the streets of the city. | break out<br>break out in sth |
| My father's skin broke out in a rash when he was giving up cigarettes. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break out** | A prisoner **broke out** of jail, but the police caught him quickly and put him back inside. | break out<br>break out of sth |
| Mike broke out of his usual routine and went out dancing for a change. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break up** | I was surprised when Katie and Simon **broke up**. They seemed so happy together. | break up |
| The Beatles broke up after making music together for ten years. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **split up** |

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| **break up** | My son got in a fight at school today, and a teacher **broke** it **up** and kept both boys in after school. | break up sth<br>break sth up |
| The police were sent to break up the protest against the government. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **break up** | The signal on my phone was **breaking up** and I couldn't hear what he was saying. | break up<br>(be) breaking up |
| The phone's signal was getting weak so I said, 'You're breaking up.' | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **brighten up** | She looked sad, but she **brightened up** when her friends told her the good news. | brighten up<br>brighten up sth/sb<br>brighten sth/sb up |
| Some posters and flowers would really help to brighten the office up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cheer up, liven up** |

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| **bring about** | The new government wants to **bring about** many changes in the way the country is run. | bring about sth<br>bring sth about |
| The acts of a few greedy people brought about the Asian economic crisis. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bring on** (for sth bad only) |

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| **bring along** | When we go to the beach, why don't you **bring** some friends **along** as well? | bring sb/sth along<br>bring along sb/sth |
| Would you like us to bring along some food and drinks? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **bring around** | It took a long time to persuade Yoko to study English, but her friends **brought** her **around** by saying she'd never get a good job without it. | bring sb around |
| After a lot of discussion, we brought him around to our point of view. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **talk round, talk into, win over** |

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| **bring back** | When she hears that song, it **brings** lots of memories **back** from when she was young. | bring sth back<br>bring back sth |
| Reading my old diaries brought back the feelings I'd had many years ago. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **bring down** | Rebel fighters want to **bring down** the government and take control of the country. | bring down sth/sb<br>bring sth/sb down |
| Huge street protests eventually brought the corrupt president down. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **bring forward** | The meeting was scheduled for next week, but we've had to **bring** it **forward** to tomorrow. | bring sth forward<br>bring forward sth |
| The judge agreed to bring forward the trial date to help speed things up. | | *see also:* **put forward** |

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| **bring in** | The government is **bringing** new laws **in** to fight corruption, but critics say the real problem is enforcement of laws, not the lack of laws. | bring sth in<br>bring in sth |
| More tax increases have been brought in to cover the huge cost of the war. | | *see also:* **push through** |

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| **bring off** | You got the top score in the exam! How did you **bring** that **off** without studying too much? Did you cheat? | bring sth off<br>bring off sth |
| The Swiss team brought off an amazing victory over the Russian team. | | *see also:* **pull off** |

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| **bring on** | Sally's crying. What **brought** that **on**? Don't tell me someone asked her about her old boyfriend! | bring sth on<br>bring on sth |
| I never drink alcohol because all it does is bring on a headache. | | *see also:* **bring about** |

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| **bring out** | Our company has been **bringing out** good-quality products for many years, but we've only recently begun marketing them well. | bring sth out<br>bring out sth |
| When will they be bringing out their latest range of phones? | | *see also:* **roll out** |

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| **bring up** | Sanjaya was born in India, but an Australian couple adopted him when he was a baby and **brought** him **up** in Sydney. | bring sb up<br>bring up sb |
| Poor kids are often brought up to be more polite than rich kids. | | |

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| **bring up** | If there's an idea or a topic you'd like to discuss, you can **bring** it **up** at our staff meeting on Friday. | bring up<br>bring sth up<br>bring up sth |
| There are some topics you shouldn't bring up, like religion and politics. | | *see also:* **put forward** |

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| **brush up** | I'm nearly ready for the exam. I just need to **brush up** on the phrasal verbs we learned last week. | brush up<br>brush up on sth |
| I'll brush up on French history and language before going there. | | *see also:* **polish up** |

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| **budget for** | If we don't **budget for** the rising cost of oil and for salary increases, we might not have enough money to pay for them. | budget for sth |
| Did you budget for inflation and rising costs over the next year? | | *see also:* **allow for** |

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| **build on** | We'll have to **build on** our success and keep working hard in order to stay ahead of our competitors. | build on sth |
| If we build on our market share, we could end up dominating the sector. | | |

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| **build up** | My son's going to the gym to **build up** his muscles. He wants to get big and strong so no-one will try to pick on him. | build up sth<br>build sth up |
| Now she's building her stock portfolio up by buying shares in banks. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **bump into** | You'll never guess who I **bumped into** at the mall today. It was Jenny! She just got back from India. | bump into sb |
| My wife comes from a huge family. She's always bumping into relatives. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come across, run across, run into** |

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| **burn down** | The house **burned down** in the fire. There was nothing left but rubble and ashes. | burn down<br>burn down sth<br>burn sth down |
| The fire burned their factory down, but their insurance will pay for it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **burn out** (informal) | After working too long without a vacation, he **burned out**. Now he's too tired and depressed to do anything. | burn out<br>burn sb out |
| She burned herself out trying to raise a family while working full-time. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **wear out** (not as severe as **burn out**) |

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| **butt in** | Maria interrupts people too much. When someone is speaking, she'll **butt in** before they've finished talking to tell us what *she* thinks. | butt in |
| She needs to learn how to join in a conversation without butting in. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **break in on** |

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| **buy out** | A Swedish corporation is **buying out** our company, and when they take over we'll have to move our headquarters to Stockholm. | buy out sth<br>buy sth out |
| Many workers weren't happy when investors bought the company out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **buy up** | If we **buy up** as many shares as possible, we might be able to buy out the company and take control. | buy up sth<br>buy sth up |
| They're trying to buy all the land up so they can build a housing estate. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **snap up, pick up** |

## 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **B b**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'b'...**

1 The workers had to back _ _ _ _ on their demand for higher wages. (4 letters)
2 He said he'd help but later backed _ _ _ , saying he was busy. (3 letters)
3 No-one will ever trust you again if you back out _ _ the deal now. (2 letters)
4 You have to back _ _ what you say with evidence to show that it's true. (2 letters)
5 I believe you, and I'll back you _ _ if anyone says you're lying. (2 letters)
6 If my kids get into financial trouble, I _ _ _ _ them out with 'loans' they never pay back. (4 letters)
7 Her son was arrested, so she had pay money to bail him _ _ _ of jail. (3 letters)
8 We can bank _ _ Simon to be here on time. He's never late. (2 letters)
9 The conclusions we reached in our report are _ _ _ _ _ on the evidence we collected. (5 letters)
10 The evidence wasn't accepted because the judge said it didn't _ _ _ _ upon the case. (4 letters)
11 Everyone waited nervously as the cyclone bore _ _ _ _ on the city. (4 letters)
12 If you work as a share trader, you'll have to learn how to bear _ _ under real pressure. (2 letters)
13 They wanted $120 for the bike, but I beat them _ _ _ _ to $90. (4 letters)
14 He was beaten _ _ by some violent thugs and had to go to hospital. (2 letters)
15 What became _ _ James after he left his job here? Has anyone heard anything? (2 letters)
16 The government decided to beef _ _ security after the bomb attack. (2 letters)
17 This band's concerts always begin _ _ _ _ a slow song, followed by a faster one. (4 letters)
18 Do you believe _ _ UFOs and alien beings from other planets? (2 letters)
19 I found this bag in the bathroom. Does it belong _ _ anyone here? (2 letters)
20 Joe says he'll have the job done on time, but don't bet _ _ it. He often misses deadlines. (2 letters)
21 The lights blacked _ _ _ during the storm, so we had to light some candles. (3 letters)
22 Nick drank so much vodka last night that he _ _ _ _ _ _ _ out. (7 letters)
23 Could you close the curtains to block _ _ _ the sunlight? (3 letters)
24 It smells really bad in the toilet. The pipes must be blocked _ _ again. (2 letters)
25 I let go of my kite and the wind _ _ _ _ it away. (4 letters)
26 She blew _ _ _ the candles on her birthday cake. (3 letters)
27 The story was big news at first, but it soon blew _ _ _ _ and everyone forgot about it. (4 letters)
28 The terrorists planted a huge bomb and it blew _ _ the building. (2 letters)
29 It took an hour to _ _ _ _ up enough balloons for the party. (4 letters)
30 Our company nearly went broke in 2006, but it bounced _ _ _ _ and now it's doing well. (4 letters)
31 Terry will bow _ _ _ after being captain for six years. (3 letters)
32 He was bowled _ _ _ _ by the news that his wife was pregnant. (4 letters)
33 Our company should _ _ _ _ _ _ out into some new fields of business. (6 letters)
34 The southern states wanted to break _ _ _ _ and form their own separate country. (4 letters)
35 Her car _ _ _ _ _ down, so she had to call for a mechanic. (5 letters)
36 The negotiations broke _ _ _ _ when the two sides couldn't agree. (4 letters)
37 She broke _ _ _ _ at her sister's funeral and started to cry. (4 letters)
38 You should break your new running shoes _ _ before wearing them in a race. (2 letters)
39 I had to tell them the news straight away, so I broke in _ _ their conversation. (2 letters)
40 A burglar broke _ _ _ _ our apartment and stole our money and jewellery. (4 letters)
41 Sally was very angry with Jim, so she broke _ _ _ their engagement. (3 letters)
42 After the new taxes were announced, protests broke _ _ _ . (3 letters)
43 The government broke _ _ _ the talks with the rebels after another attack on their soldiers. (3 letters)
44 Robert's face broke out _ _ spots when he became a teenager. (2 letters)
45 Some prisoners broke _ _ _ of jail, but the police soon caught them. (3 letters)
46 Judy sometimes gets tired of her routine and breaks out _ _ it by doing something new. (2 letters)
47 Sally and Jim broke _ _ after they had a big argument. (2 letters)
48 The teacher saw the boys having a fight and _ _ _ _ _ it up. (5 letters)
49 The signal on my phone is getting weak. You're _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ up. (8 letters)
50 He's not happy at the moment, but he'll brighten _ _ when he gets the good news. (2 letters)
51 The changes were brought _ _ _ _ _ in order to reduce costs and save money. (5 letters)
52 When we go to the cinema, bring _ _ _ _ _ some friends if you like. (5 letters)
53 Bring your new friend _ _ _ _ _ _ to my house after work. (6 letters)
54 We tried to persuade Jim, but we couldn't bring him round _ _ our point of view. (2 letters)
55 When I drove past my old school, it _ _ _ _ _ _ _ back lots of memories. (7 letters)
56 The protesters marched in the streets, hoping to bring _ _ _ _ the corrupt government. (4 letters)
57 Next week's meeting has been brought _ _ _ _ _ _ _ to this Friday instead. (7 letters)
58 The government is planning to bring _ _ many new laws. (2 letters)
59 Beating the world champion was a huge challenge, but she brought it _ _ _ somehow. (3 letters)
60 Maria's really upset and she's crying. What brought that _ _ ? (2 letters)
61 When will Bob be bringing _ _ _ the new computer game he's created? (3 letters)

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'b'...**

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| 62 Kathy was born in South Africa, but her parents brought her _ _ in England. | (2 letters) |
| 63 I need to brush up _ _ some new vocab before the exam. | (2 letters) |
| 64 When planning for the future, we have to budget _ _ _ unexpected costs and expenses. | (3 letters) |
| 65 You have to keep working hard to _ _ _ _ _ on the success you've already achieved. | (5 letters) |
| 66 He puts money into the bank every week in order to build _ _ his savings. | (2 letters) |
| 67 I bumped _ _ _ _ an old friend at the mall today. | (4 letters) |
| 68 Ten houses burned _ _ _ _ in the fire. | (4 letters) |
| 69 He burned _ _ _ because he worked for too long, under pressure, without a break. | (3 letters) |
| 70 She's very rude and often butts _ _ when I'm talking to someone. | (2 letters) |
| 71 Our company has been _ _ _ _ _ _ out by a big Japanese company. | (6 letters) |
| 72 If we bought _ _ all the shares on offer, could we take control of the company? | (2 letters) |

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| **call back** | I'm just on my way into a meeting so I can't talk now, but I'll **call back** as soon as it's over. | call back<br>call sb back |
| I called Jim but he was busy. He said he'd call me back later tonight. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **call for** | The president made a serious mistake and many people thought it **called for** an official enquiry, but nothing was done. | call for sth |
| Many people called for his resignation after he was charged with corruption. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **call off** | We didn't play golf today. We decided to **call** the game **off** because of the rain. | call sth off<br>call off sth |
| The meeting was called off because our CEO was ill and couldn't come. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **call on** | Did you **call on** Mike and see his new apartment while you were in New York City? | call on sb |
| Whenever they're in Paris, they call on old friends who live there. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **drop by** (inf), **look up** |

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| **call out** | I saw Terry walking along the street, so I **called out** his name and he turned around and waved. | call out<br>call out sth<br>call sth out |
| If you think you know the answer, don't call it out. Write it down instead. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cry out, yell out** |

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| **call up** | Did you find Mike's phone number and **call** him **up** while you were in New York? | call up sb<br>call sb up |
| When they got to Paris, they called up their friends to arrange a visit. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **calm down** | If the baby gets upset and starts to cry, she'll **calm down** if you hold her and gently rock her. | calm down<br>calm down sb<br>calm sb down |
| The plane's crew had to calm the passengers down during the storm. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **quieten down, settle down** |

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| **care for** | He's staying with his grandmother so he can **care for** her while she's recovering from her illness. | care for sb |
| Our company supports an organisation that cares for homeless children. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look after** |

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| **care for** (formal) | The waiter said, 'Would you **care for** some more wine, madam?' | care for sth |
| After a lovely meal, our host said, 'Care for some tea or coffee?' | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **carry on** | The tennis match was stopped because of the rain, but **carried on** as soon as the rain stopped. | carry on<br>carry on sth<br>carry on doing sth |
| We'll stop the meeting now, and carry on after lunch. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go on** |

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| **carry out** | The players listened to their coach and then did their best to **carry out** his instructions during the game. | carry out sth<br>carry sth out |
| We expect our staff to carry their duties out to the best of their ability. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **catch on** | Cable TV took a while to **catch on**, but now nearly everyone watches it. | catch on |
| A new hairstyle can catch on quickly if kids see a pop star with it. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **take off** |

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| **catch on** | I didn't understand what she was saying at first, but I soon **caught on** when she started speaking slower. | catch on |
| It took a while for them to catch on, but scientists understand Einstein now. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **cotton on** (inf) |

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| **catch up** | She was a long way behind the leaders, so she had to run fast to **catch up** and win the race, but she did it. She **caught up** and won! | catch up<br>catch sb up<br>catch up with sb |
| I missed many classes, so I'll have to work hard to catch up with the others. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **catch up** | He hasn't been to his hometown for a long time. When he goes back, he'll **catch up** with his relatives and find out what they've been doing. | catch up<br>catch up with sb |
| Whenever I go home I spend time meeting old friends and catching up. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **catch up on** | If Mike travels on business, he takes his laptop computer and **catches up on** work or his emails whenever he gets the chance. | catch up on sth |
| I went to bed early last night because I needed to catch up on some sleep. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **cater to** | This hotel doesn't have TVs or internet connections because it **caters to** the needs of budget travellers, not business travellers. | cater to sth/sb |
| Our hospital isn't very big so it can only cater to a small number of patients. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **change into** | A caterpillar spends a few months in a cocoon, and by the time it comes out it has **changed into** a beautiful butterfly. | change into sth |
| Raul had changed into a young man, but his mum still treated him as a boy. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **turn into** |

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| **change over** | After a virus attacked our computers and destroyed a very important database, we decided to **change over** to Mac computers. | change over to sth |
| Will the U.S. ever change over to the metric system of weights and measures? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **move over** |

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| **charge with** | The police caught him with a gun near the bank just after it was robbed, so they arrested him and **charged** him **with** armed robbery. | charge sb with sth<br>(be) charged with sth |
| The company's directors were arrested and charged with tax evasion. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **chase up** | She spends a lot of time contacting shipping companies to **chase up** deliveries that haven't reached customers on time. | chase up sth/sb<br>chase sth/sb up |
| One of the most boring parts of her job is chasing up late payments. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **check on, track down** |

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| **chat up** (informal) | Marco is trying to find a new girlfriend, so he goes out to bars and tries to **chat up** single women. | chat up sb<br>chat sb up |
| Marcel is very good at chatting girls up. He makes them laugh. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cheat out of** | Never answer emails which promise you lots of money. They are sent by criminals who will **cheat** you **out of** your money if you let them. | cheat sb out of sth |
| A man who cheated many people out of their life savings has been caught. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **rip off** (inf) |

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| **check in** | After you **check in** to the hotel, the porter will take your bags up to your room. | check in |
| Get to the airport and check in at least an hour before your flight departs. | ✍ | 🕮: |

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| **check into** | My grandmother had to **check into** the hospital after she broke her leg. | check into sth |
| He had a drug problem so he checked into a drug rehabilitation centre. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **check on** | I'd better go and **check on** the baby to make sure she's all right. I'll be back in a minute. | check on sb/sth |
| The teacher went around the class to check on her students' work. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look in on** (only used for people or animals) |

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| **check out** | Don't forget to give back the room key when you **check out** of the hotel. | check out<br>check out of sth |
| I'll need my insurance details when I check out of the hospital. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **check out** (informal) | Let's **check out** that new website Jim found. It sounds really interesting. | check out sth/sb<br>check sth/sb out |
| The girls like to hang out at the mall to check out all the cute boys. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look at** |

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| **check over** | He **checked** the car **over** and didn't find any serious problems, so he bought it. | check over sth<br>check sth over |
| I check over the accounts every month to make sure they're correct. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go over, look over** |

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| **check through** | After I got off the plane, a customs officer **checked through** my bags. I think he was looking for drugs. | check through sth |
| She checked through all her records, but couldn't find his contact details. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go through, look through** |

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| **cheer on** | The fans competed to see which group could make the most noise when they **cheered on** their team. | cheer on sb<br>cheer sb on |
| The champions played well today and everyone cheered them on. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cheer up** | Do you think going dancing would **cheer** Sally **up**? She's still feeling bad about losing her job. | cheer up<br>cheer up sb<br>cheer sb up |
| Kim was upset so we took her to see a funny movie and it cheered her up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **brighten up** |

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| **chill out** (informal) | It was a stressful day at work, so I think I'll just get some pizza, go home and **chill out** in front of the TV. | chill out |
| When I'm on holidays, I like chilling out on the beach or at the pool. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **kick back, laze around** |

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| **chop down** | Why don't you get the gardener to **chop down** that old tree before it falls on the house? | chop down sth<br>chop sth down |
| Many people think we're chopping our forests down too quickly. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **chop up** | Could you **chop up** some vegetables and put them in the soup, please? There's a knife over there. | chop up sth<br>chop sth up |
| Let's chop those old boards up and use them as firewood. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cut up** |

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| **clamp down** | The police are **clamping down** on drunk drivers, so not many people are drinking alcohol and then driving a car. | clamp down<br>clamp down on sth/sb |
| Many people want the police to clamp down on begging in the streets. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **crack down** |

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| **clean up** | Could the person who spilled the milk in the kitchen please go back and **clean** it **up**? | clean up<br>clean sth up<br>clean up sth |
| When a ship spills oil, the mess on the coast can be very difficult to clean up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **tidy up** |

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| **clear off** (informal) | The grumpy old man came out of his house and told the kids playing in the street to **clear off**. | clear off |
| The boys who'd been spraying paint saw police coming and cleared off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **clear out** | Sheng quit his job today, but he'll be back tomorrow to **clear out** his desk and his office. | clear out sth<br>clear sth out<br>clear sth out of sth |
| After splitting up with her boyfriend, she cleared his clothes out of her closet. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **clear up** | Why is Sue still angry with John? I thought they'd talked things over and **cleared up** their misunderstanding. | clear up sth<br>clear sth up |
| We're having a meeting with our suppliers to clear the confusion up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **iron out, sort out, straighten out** |

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| **clear up** | It was raining all morning but it's **clearing up** now, so we can go for a walk after lunch if you like. | clear up<br>clear up sth<br>clear sth up |
| Carlos got some cream for his pimples, and it soon cleared them up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cling to** | Even though there is no evidence to support it, some people still **cling to** the idea that communism offers a better life for the working class. | cling to sth/sb |
| If a leader becomes addicted to power, he'll do anything to cling to it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hang on (to)**, **hold on (to)** |

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| **clog up** | Something has **clogged up** the pipe under the kitchen sink. Do you think you could clear it out for us? | clog up<br>clog up sth<br>clog sth up |
| Heart attacks occur when fatty deposits clog up the heart's blood vessels. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **block up** |

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| **close down** | The police **closed** the bar **down** because it served alcoholic drinks to teenagers. | close down<br>close sth down<br>close down sth |
| Many factories are closing down as companies move production overseas. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **shut down** |

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| **close in** | The police pulled out their guns as they **closed in** on the killer's hideout. | close in<br>close in on sth/sb |
| The soldiers slowly closed in on the enemy base, preparing to attack. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **zero in on** |

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| **clown around** | We were laughing at Dan as he danced around. But then our boss came in and said, 'OK guys. Enough **clowning around**.' | clown around |
| Joking and clowning around is fun, but it won't pay the bills. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **kid around**, **mess around**, **play around** |

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| **combine with** | If we **combined** my talent for invention **with** your marketing skills, we could form a successful business partnership. | combine with sth<br>combine sth with sth |
| Their music combines the power of rock with the rhythm of dance music. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come about** | How did the idea of setting up your own business **come about**? Was it something you planned, or did you just see an opportunity and take it? | come about |
| Their success came about as a result of hard work and some good luck. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come across** | While we were at the baseball game, we **came across** some old college friends. It was great to see them again. | come across sth/sb |
| While clearing out her cupboards, she came across some old letters. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bump into**, **run across**, **run into** (all these are for people only) |

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| **come across** | He **comes across** as being a bit too serious when you first meet him, but when you get to know him he can be really funny. | come across<br>come across as sth |
| She comes across well on TV, so she'd be good as a company spokesperson. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **come along** | How is your English **coming along**? Is it getting better? | come along<br>(be) coming along |
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| The training program is coming along well now that Simon's running it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come on** |

| **come along** | We're going to see a movie after dinner. Why don't you and Ben **come along** if you're free? | come along |
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| I'd love to come along, but I have to visit my grandmother in hospital. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **come apart** | The CD case **came apart** when he was trying to open it, and he couldn't put it back together again. | come apart |
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| The old book came apart as I opened it and a few pages fell out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fall apart** |

| **come around/round** | If you keep explaining the facts of global warming to them, they should eventually **come around** and accept that it's really happening. | come around<br>come round |
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| After a lot of persuasion, at last they came around to our point of view. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **come around** | Why don't you **come around** to my place after work? We'll have something to eat and watch a movie if you like. | come around |
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| Every Tuesday night, his friends come around to play cards. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come over** |

| **come away** | The accident was a terrible experience, but I **came away** from it a much wiser person. I'll be much more careful in future. | come away<br>come away from sth |
|---|---|---|
| She came away from the ordeal understanding much more about herself. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **come back** | We're having a great time in France. I hope we can **come back** again next year. | come back |
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| The headache went away after I took the pills, but it's just come back again. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **come back to** | Can we **came back to** that topic after we've dealt with the other items listed on the agenda? | come back to sth |
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| I'd like to come back to an issue we touched on earlier but didn't discuss. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **return to, go back (to)** |

| **come by** | Good jobs were hard to **come by** when I was young, but I was lucky and got a job in a software company. | come by<br>come by sth |
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| I came by a beautiful old painting in a junk shop yesterday, so I bought it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come across** |

| **come down to** | It won't matter too much where you studied. It will mostly **come down to** how well you perform in the job interview. | come down to sth |
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| In the end, it comes down to belief in yourself and your abilities. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **depend on** |

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| **come down with** | Several of our staff have **come down with** the flu, so the rest of us have to work overtime to make up for their absence. | come down with sth |
| My mother came down with a heavy cold, so I'm going to see her tonight. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come from** | I **come from** Melbourne in the Australian state of Victoria. Where do you **come from**? | come from<br>come from sth |
| Many English words originally came from French and German. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come in** | I'll pick you up from the airport if you tell me what time your flight **comes in**. | come in |
| Most trains are coming in at least half an hour late this evening. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get in** |

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| **come in for** | The government will **come in for** a lot of criticism if it cuts business taxes while at the same time increasing income taxes. | come in for sth |
| Drug companies came in for criticism over the cost of their AIDS drugs. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come into** | He's a wealthy man. His children will **come into** a lot of money when he dies. | come into sth |
| He came into a small fortune when his rich uncle died. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come of** | Our company spent a lot of money looking for oil last year, but nothing **came of** it. We didn't find a single drop. | come of sth |
| Did anything come of his idea to expand the company into Asia? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come off** | The top of my pen **came off** while it was in my top pocket, and now I've got an ink stain on my shirt. | come off<br>come off sth |
| If your parachute comes off after you jump from a plane, you're in trouble. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come off** | The students' plan to cheat with their mobile phones didn't **come off**. A teacher caught them and threw them out of the exam. | come off |
| The scheme didn't came off as planned, and they lost their money. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **work out** |

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| **come on** | The Channel Nine News **comes on** at 6 o'clock, after a couple of game shows. | come on |
| My favourite show comes on at 10 o'clock, so let's get home before that. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come on** | Maria's English is **coming on** very well, but her brother Juan's isn't coming along as well as hers. Maybe she could help him out. | come on |
| His listening skills aren't coming on as well as his reading skills. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come along** |

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| **come out** | Many people were shocked when details of the senator's accident **came out**. According to the police report, he was driving while drunk. | come out |
| The full story came out in an article in the New York Times. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come out** | He can't wait for the Soggy Bottom Boy's new album to **come out**. They're his favourite band. | come out |
| The last Harry Potter book came out many years after the first one. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come out** | It's hard for gay sports stars and movie stars to **come out** and be open about their sexuality. They know many prejudiced fans will reject them. | come out |
| Hector decided he had to come out, so he told his family he was gay. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come over** | Why don't you **come over** after work and I'll show you my new computer? I get home around six so **come over** any time after that. | come over |
| Some friends came over last Sunday and we had a barbecue. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come around** |

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| **come through** | Your self-assurance **came through** during your presentation, especially when you were answering those difficult questions at the end. | come through |
| Her lack of confidence comes through whenever she speaks in public. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come across** |

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| **come through** | We weren't sure if you could come up with a good design, but you've really **come through** this time. It's great! | come through<br>come through with sth |
| You can count on Rob. He always comes through with excellent work. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come through** | It was a terrible accident. She'll be in hospital for a long time, but at least she **came through** it with her life. | come through sth |
| Julie has come through a difficult time with her illness and her divorce. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go through, live through** |

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| **come to** | The total amount **comes to** $89.95, including sales tax, shipping costs and handling charges. | come to<br>come to sth |
| What did the hotel bill come to, including tax and service charge? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **add up to** |

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| **come to** | It was so hot that I fainted. When I **came to**, Robert was splashing water on my face. | come to |
| The boxer was knocked out, but he came to after a minute or two. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come under** | The government has **come under** a lot of pressure from the media and protest groups to release the committee's report on corruption. | come under sth |
| The president has come under fire for not solving the country's problems. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **come up** | Do you think the issue of getting more staff will **come up** at this week's meeting? | come up |
| If a job vacancy comes up in your company, let me know and I'll apply for it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come up** | What time does the sun **come up** at this time of year? | come up |
| Why does the moon sometimes look so big when it's coming up? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **come up against** | Anyone who competes in this chess tournament will **come up against** some very tough competition. | come up against sth/sb |
| We come up against many problems in life, and we have to deal with them. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **(be) faced with, run up against** |

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| **come up to** | If his work doesn't **come up to** the standard we require, we'll have to let him go and employ someone else instead. | come up to sth |
| Did the design come up to the level of excellence they expect? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **measure up (to)** |

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| **come up with** | How did the Spanish architect Gaudi **come up with** such incredible designs for his buildings? | come up with sth |
| Patti Smith always comes up with powerful lyrics for her songs. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **make up, think up** |

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| **come with** | All these sound systems **come with** a two-year guarantee covering all parts and service. | come with sth |
| Every tailored suit comes with two pairs of socks and a silk tie for free. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **compare to** | The war in Iraq has been **compared to** the Vietnam War by several historians. They say the two conflicts share several important features. | (be) compared to sth<br>compare sb/sth to sb/sth |
| Critics compare Steve Reich's music to gamelan music from Indonesia. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **compare with** | If we **compare** this year's sales **with** last year's sales, they aren't very good, and we need to figure out why. | compare with sth<br>compare sth with sth |
| Compared with the problems some people face, ours aren't too bad. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **concentrate on** | My daughter understands that she must **concentrate on** her studies now, but after she graduates she can travel and explore the world. | concentrate on sth<br>concentrate on doing sth |
| We're concentrating on opening new markets for our products overseas. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **focus on** |

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| **consist of** | An anti-terrorist taskforce was set up, **consisting of** police, army specialists, intelligence officers and computer experts. | consist of sth<br>consist of doing sth |
| Her job consists of researching trends and formulating strategies. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **contract out** | When we take on a big job like building a dam, we **contract out** some of the work, such as road and bridge construction, to other companies. | contract out sth<br>contract sth out |
| It's cheaper to contract some work out than to do it all ourselves. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **contribute to** | Many factors **contributed to** the government's defeat, including increasing crime rates, rising prices and unemployment. | contribute to sth |
| Al Gore's film contributed to the growing awareness of global climate change. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **add to** |

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| **cook up** (informal) | He wanted to have the day off work, so he **cooked up** a story about having to visit his aunt in hospital. | cook up sth<br>cook sth up |
| I was late to work, so I cooked up a story about problems with my car. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come up with, make up, think up** |

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| **cool down** | If your car overheats, let the engine **cool down** before you open the hood to check it. | cool down<br>cool sth down<br>cool down sth |
| If the soup's too hot, is it impolite to blow on it to cool it down? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cool off** | If you get angry, stop, count to ten, and try to **cool off** before you say anything. | cool off |
| I wouldn't bother him while he's angry. Wait until he's cooled off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **calm down** |

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| **cop out** (informal) | He had the talent to become a great writer, but he **copped out** and became a writing teacher instead because it was more secure financially. | cop out |
| I should've set up my own business, but I copped out and kept my job instead. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **correspond to / with** | The work the women had to do didn't **correspond to** the job description given in the newspaper ads. It was very different work. | correspond to/with sth |
| Did the material's quality correspond with that of the sample they sent? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cosy up to** (informal) | Some businessmen **cosy up to** corrupt politicians and do them 'favours', and then get 'favours' in return. | cosy up to sb |
| People cosy up to those with power in order to get benefits from them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cotton on** (informal) | At first I didn't know why he was smiling at me, but I soon **cottoned on** when he winked as well. | cotton on<br>cotton on to sth |
| He didn't understand at first, but it didn't take him long to cotton on. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **catch on** |

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| **cough up** | When the boy **coughed up** blood, his father drove him straight to the hospital. | cough up sth<br>cough sth up |
| Most smokers cough more phlegm up from their lungs than non-smokers. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **could do with** | My house **could do with** a new paint job. It's looking dull and a bit dirty. | could do with sth |
| Neil's been working too hard. He could do with a long, relaxing holiday. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **couldn't ask for** | We won the game by six goals to one. We **couldn't** have **asked for** a better result. | couldn't ask for sth |
| I couldn't have asked for a better birthday. All my friends and family came. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **count down** | We **counted** the seconds **down** to midnight, and then everyone called out 'Happy New Year!' | count down<br>count sth down<br>count down sth |
| After counting down from 100 to 1, they launched the rocket. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **count in** | If you're going out dancing tonight, you can **count** me **in**. I'd love to go along. | count sb in |
| Salima said to count her in if we're booking a table for dinner. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **count on** | You can **count on** John. He's very reliable, so if he says he'll have it done on time, it'll definitely be done on time. | count on sb/sth |
| I can count on my family and close friends to be there if I need help. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bank on, depend on, rely on** |

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| **count out** | If you're going to the pub, **count** me **out**. I'd like to come along but I promised my wife I'd go straight home tonight. | count sb out |
| Bob said to count him out if we're booking a table for dinner. He's too busy. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cover up** | The president's party **covered up** the fact that he'd been treated for addiction to drugs and alcohol, and most people never found out. | cover up sth<br>cover sth up |
| Governments try to cover up mistakes or corruption any way they can. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **crack down** | Don't drink before you drive. The police are **cracking down** on drunk drivers and you could end up in jail. | crack down<br>crack down on sth |
| Politicians often promise to crack down on corruption, but few do. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clamp down** |

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| **crack up** (informal) | He **cracked up** after losing all his savings on the stock exchange, and tried to kill himself. | crack up |
| She cracked up due to stress from work and ended up in hospital. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **crack up** (informal) | We all **cracked up** when Sally started acting and speaking like our boss. We couldn't stop laughing. | crack up |
| The audience cracked up whenever the comedian told a funny joke. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **crank out** (informal) | They're a terrible band. They **crank out** the same boring old songs night after night. | crank out sth<br>crank sth out |
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| He used to be a great writer, but he just cranks books out for money now. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **crank up** (informal) | The music isn't loud enough. Let's **crank** it **up** and get this party going. | crank up sth<br>crank sth up |
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| It's too hot in here. We should crank up the air conditioning. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn up** |

| **crash out** (informal) | Bernie **crashed out** on the couch after the party and slept there all night. | crash out |
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| I was really tired. I crashed out on the sofa while watching TV. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **creep up on** | Old age **creeps up on** you. One day you're young, but before you know it you've got gray hair and a wrinkly face. | creep up on sb |
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| Credit card debt crept up on her, and now she has a serious problem. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **crop up** (informal) | We have to expect problems to **crop up** now and again, and we should know how to deal with them. | crop up |
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| Health problems start to crop up more when you're over 60 years old. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come up** |

| **cross out** | Check the guest list and **cross out** the names of all the people who didn't come. | cross out sth<br>cross sth out |
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| If you make a mistake, just cross it out and write down your correction. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **crowd around** | After the car crash, lots of people **crowded around** to see the damaged cars and the injured people. | crowd around |
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| People were crowding around Tiger Woods and asking for his autograph. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **cry out** | The wounded soldier **cried out** in pain as his friends picked him up and put him on a stretcher. | cry out<br>cry out in / with sth |
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| Matt cried out in fear when a big, black spider fell on his face. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **call out, yell out** |

| **cry out for** | Our apartment is **crying out for** some new furniture. What we've got looks old-fashioned and worn out. | crying out for sth (usually used in progressive form) |
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| This city is ugly. It's crying out for nicer buildings and more trees. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **could do with** |

| **culminate in** | After several weeks, the talks among the leaders of the countries involved in the war **culminated in** an agreement to stop the fighting. | culminate in sth |
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| The meetings culminated in the signing of our biggest contract ever. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **end with** |

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| **curl up** | My big fat lazy cat **curled up** in front of the fire and went to sleep. | curl up |
| The young boy curled up on the bed between his parents and fell asleep. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut across** | We don't have to follow the road. It'd be quicker if we **cut across** the park. | cut across sth |
| The racing driver was disqualified for cutting across the track. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut back** | You spend too much. Don't you think you should try to **cut back** on the amount of money you spend each month? | cut back sth<br>cut sth back<br>cut back on sth |
| The rose bushes are getting too big, so Pedro is going to cut them back. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut down** | If you're overweight, it's time to **cut down** on the amount of fatty food, junk food and snack foods that you eat. | cut down sth<br>cut down on sth |
| Cutting down on junk food cuts down the risk of getting heart disease. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cut back** |

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| **cut off** | He was talking to his kids on the phone when he was **cut off**, so he had to call them again. | (be/get) cut off<br>cut off sb/sth<br>cut sb/sth off |
| She didn't pay her bills, so the power company cut her electricity off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut off** | They lived on a small island in the Pacific Ocean, **cut off** from the rest of the world. | cut off<br>cut off from sth/sb |
| While he was in jail in Iraq, he was cut off from his family and friends. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut out** | The kids were running around the living room when their father told them to **cut** it **out** before they broke something. | cut sth out<br>cut out sth |
| 'Cut that out!' he yelled at his kids, and they stopped running around. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut out** | Our son's a professional football player and whenever his picture's in the newspaper, my wife **cuts** it **out** and puts it in a special scrapbook. | cut sth out<br>cut out sth |
| My daughter likes to cut out and keep interesting magazine articles. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut out for** | Unlike his father, Pierre wasn't **cut out for** a life in the army. He was a sensitive, creative boy and more suited to a career in music or dance. | cut out for sth |
| My son loves writing and seems to be cut out for a career in journalism. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **cut up** | Could you **cut up** some meat for the cat, please? | cut up sth<br>cut sth up |
| If we all join in and cut up the vegetables, it'll mean we can eat sooner. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **chop up** |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions C c

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'c'...**

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| 1 | I can't talk now, but I'll _ _ _ _ you back when I'm free. | (4 letters) |
| 2 | Many people called _ _ _ an enquiry after the minister was arrested for corruption. | (3 letters) |
| 3 | Yesterday's game was called _ _ _ because of the rain. | (3 letters) |
| 4 | Did you call _ _ Denise in Paris and see her new apartment? | (2 letters) |
| 5 | Our teacher always _ _ _ _ _ on me to answer the most difficult questions. | (5 letters) |
| 6 | I turned around after hearing someone call _ _ _ my name. | (3 letters) |
| 7 | Don't forget to call me _ _ when you get to Bangkok. Have you still got my number? | (2 letters) |
| 8 | You can calm _ _ _ _ the baby by gently rocking her cradle. | (4 letters) |
| 9 | He went back home to _ _ _ _ for his mum while she recovered from her illness. | (4 letters) |
| 10 | The waiter said, 'Would you care _ _ _ some dessert, madam?' | (3 letters) |
| 11 | When the rain stopped, we carried _ _ with our tennis match. | (2 letters) |
| 12 | I wish people wouldn't _ _ _ _ _ on talking after a movie has started. | (5 letters) |
| 13 | As soon as he gets back to the meeting, they can carry _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 14 | We carried _ _ _ the coach's instructions and won the game. | (3 letters) |
| 15 | The new hairstyle didn't catch _ _ at first, but it's popular now. | (2 letters) |
| 16 | At first I didn't understand, but after a while I _ _ _ _ _ _ on. | (6 letters) |
| 17 | I got behind in my work and had to do some overtime to catch _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 18 | She had to run fast to catch up _ _ _ _ the leader. | (4 letters) |
| 19 | On Sundays, Marian stays in bed all morning to catch up _ _ her sleep. | (2 letters) |
| 20 | I visited my home town to catch up _ _ _ _ some old friends. | (4 letters) |
| 21 | The new hotel is especially designed to cater _ _ the needs of business travellers. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | Did you get wet in the rain? Do you want to _ _ _ _ _ _ into some dry clothes? | (6 letters) |
| 23 | To avoid computer viruses, they're changing _ _ _ _ to Mac computers. | (4 letters) |
| 24 | The police arrested him and charged him _ _ _ _ drunk driving. | (4 letters) |
| 25 | I spend a lot of time chasing _ _ slow deliveries to customers. | (2 letters) |
| 26 | Christiano likes going out to bars and chatting _ _ women. | (2 letters) |
| 27 | I lost a lot when my business partner cheated me _ _ _ of the money I'd invested. | (3 letters) |
| 28 | Leave your bags at the hotel's front desk when you check _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 29 | After he was arrested for using cocaine, he checked _ _ _ _ a drug treatment centre. | (4 letters) |
| 30 | Just a moment. I have to go and check _ _ the baby. | (2 letters) |
| 31 | Give back the key when you check out _ _ the hotel. | (2 letters) |
| 32 | Let's check _ _ _ that new bookshop Jose was talking about. | (3 letters) |
| 33 | He checked _ _ _ _ the old car to see if it was in good condition and worth buying. | (4 letters) |
| 34 | The security guards checked _ _ _ _ _ _ _ our bags before we were allowed inside. | (7 letters) |
| 35 | The crowd cheered the runners _ _ as they ran the race. | (2 letters) |
| 36 | Jenny looks a bit sad. Do you think a movie would cheer her _ _ ? | (2 letters) |
| 37 | After a hard day's work, I like to chill _ _ _ by watching TV. | (3 letters) |
| 38 | We should get our gardener to _ _ _ _ down that dead tree. | (4 letters) |
| 39 | Use this knife to chop _ _ the vegetables for the soup. | (2 letters) |
| 40 | The police are trying to clamp _ _ _ _ on drug dealers. | (4 letters) |
| 41 | If you make a mess in the kitchen, please _ _ _ _ _ it up. | (5 letters) |
| 42 | The old man came out and told the noisy kids to clear _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |
| 43 | I quit my job, but I still have to go back and clear _ _ _ my desk and my locker. | (3 letters) |
| 44 | We've arranged a meeting with our customer to clear _ _ the misunderstanding. | (2 letters) |
| 45 | It was raining all morning, but it's _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ up now. | (8 letters) |
| 46 | My doctor said the skin cream would clear _ _ my pimples in a couple of weeks. | (2 letters) |
| 47 | Some old-style leaders still cling _ _ the idea that military force can solve any problem. | (2 letters) |
| 48 | The downpipe got clogged _ _ with leaves so I got on the roof and cleared it out. | (2 letters) |
| 49 | The bar was closed _ _ _ _ because it stayed open after the legal closing time. | (4 letters) |
| 50 | The police drew their guns as they closed _ _ on the killer's hideout. | (2 letters) |
| 51 | Our boss doesn't mind us having fun and clowning _ _ _ _ _ _ as long as we do our work. | (6 letters) |
| 52 | They're a strong team, and their strength is combined _ _ _ _ plenty of skill. | (4 letters) |
| 53 | How did the idea of starting your own software company come _ _ _ _ _ ? | (5 letters) |
| 54 | She came _ _ _ _ _ _ some old letters and postcards while clearing out her closets. | (6 letters) |
| 55 | He comes across _ _ very serious when you first meet him, but he can be quite funny. | (2 letters) |
| 56 | Her English is coming _ _ _ _ _ very well. She can join in our conversations now. | (5 letters) |
| 57 | We're going out to dinner. Why don't you _ _ _ _ along? | (4 letters) |
| 58 | The old magazine came _ _ _ _ _ when I opened it and some pages fell out. | (5 letters) |
| 59 | He doesn't agree yet, but he'll eventually come _ _ _ _ _ _ . | (6 letters) |
| 60 | It was a terrible experience, but he came _ _ _ _ from it with more appreciation of life. | (4 letters) |
| 61 | Let's come back _ _ that topic after we've discussed everything else on the agenda. | (2 letters) |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'c'...**

62 Why don't you come _ _ _ _ _ _ to my place and watch the football on my big new TV? (6 letters)
63 How did you come _ _ that information? It should have been kept secret. (2 letters)
64 For most people, success comes _ _ _ _ to a combination of hard work and persistence. (4 letters)
65 She came down _ _ _ _ the flu and had to stay home for a week. (4 letters)
66 Akira comes _ _ _ _ Japan, but he's been living in Australia for many years. (4 letters)
67 Let me know what time your flight comes _ _ and I'll pick you up from the airport. (2 letters)
68 My pocketknife _ _ _ _ _ in handy when I go camping. (5 letters)
69 She's a wealthy woman and her children will come _ _ _ _ a lot of money when she dies. (4 letters)
70 The president came in _ _ _ a lot of criticism in the media. (3 letters)
71 They invested a lot in the search for new gold deposits, but nothing came _ _ it. (2 letters)
72 The plan to cheat by using mobile phones didn't come _ _ _ . The students were caught. (3 letters)
73 We have to get home by 9.45 because the football comes _ _ at 10 o'clock. (2 letters)
74 Maria's studying hard and her English is _ _ _ _ _ _ on very well. (6 letters)
75 We were surprised when the election results came _ _ _ and the same party won again. (3 letters)
76 Many families reject their gay children if they come _ _ _ and declare their sexuality. (3 letters)
77 Did the ink stain come _ _ _ when you washed your shirt? (3 letters)
78 I can't wait for The Rolling Stone's new album to _ _ _ _ out. (4 letters)
79 Our friends came _ _ _ _ to see how we'd decorated our house. (4 letters)
80 Her confidence came _ _ _ _ _ _ _ during her speech. (7 letters)
81 Jamila really came through _ _ _ us this time. Her design's great. (3 letters)
82 The total amount comes _ _ $25.00. (2 letters)
83 The president has come _ _ _ _ _ pressure to end the war. (5 letters)
84 Please tell me if a job vacancy _ _ _ _ _ up at your company. (5 letters)
85 What time did the sun come _ _ this morning? (2 letters)
86 She came up _ _ _ _ _ _ _ some tough challenges in her new job. (7 letters)
87 His work doesn't come up _ _ the standard we require. (2 letters)
88 She always comes _ _ with new ideas for their advertising campaigns. (2 letters)
89 This computer comes _ _ _ _ a two-year guarantee covering all parts and service. (4 letters)
90 The new movie's style was compared _ _ classic movies from the 1940's. (2 letters)
91 Compared _ _ _ _ last year's sales, this year's sales were quite good. (4 letters)
92 The job consists _ _ serving customers and checking stock. Do you think he can do it? (2 letters)
93 We'll contract some of the work _ _ _ to other companies. (3 letters)
94 Factors such as good training and hard work contributed _ _ the company's success. (2 letters)
95 He wanted to leave work early, so he cooked _ _ a story about visiting a sick aunt. (2 letters)
96 If the soup is too hot, blow on it to _ _ _ _ it down. (4 letters)
97 If you get angry, stop and count to ten to cool _ _ _ . (3 letters)
98 I could have started my own band, but I copped _ _ _ and became a music teacher. (3 letters)
99 The quality of the material we got didn't correspond _ _ that of the sample we saw. (2 letters)
100 People cosy _ _ to powerful figures to get something from them. (2 letters)
101 I didn't understand at first, but I soon cottoned _ _ when he winked at me. (2 letters)
102 He went to the hospital after he coughed _ _ some blood. (2 letters)
103 Their garden could _ _ with some work. It's looking a bit overgrown. (2 letters)
104 He won the award and said he couldn't have asked _ _ _ a better outcome. (3 letters)
105 They _ _ _ _ _ _ _ down from ten to one and then called out 'Happy New Year'. (7 letters)
106 I love playing *Word Up*. You can count me _ _ whenever you play a game. (2 letters)
107 If you're going to the pub, count me _ _ _ . I'd like to go but I have to pick up my kids. (3 letters)
108 Don't worry. You can _ _ _ _ _ on Ming. She's very reliable. (5 letters)
109 The government tried to cover _ _ the corruption story and keep it a secret. (2 letters)
110 The police are cracking _ _ _ _ on people who drink alcohol and then drive. (4 letters)
111 Jason told a really funny joke and we all cracked _ _ . (2 letters)
112 She used to be a great singer, but now she just cranks _ _ _ her old songs for the money. (3 letters)
113 The music's too quiet for a party, so let's crank it _ _ a bit. (2 letters)
114 He was so tired he crashed _ _ _ in front of the TV and slept there all night. (3 letters)
115 The credit card debt crept up _ _ her, and now she owes a lot of money. (2 letters)
116 The same problems keep cropping _ _ again and again. (2 letters)
117 Check the list and cross _ _ _ the names of those who've left. (3 letters)
118 People were crowding _ _ _ _ _ _ to see the injured people after the accident. (6 letters)
119 The soldier _ _ _ _ _ out in pain when he was shot. (5 letters)
120 Our apartment is crying out _ _ _ some new furniture. (3 letters)
121 The meetings culminated _ _ the signing of an important agreement. (2 letters)
122 The cat curled _ _ in front of the fire and dozed off. (2 letters)
123 Let's cut _ _ _ _ _ _ the field. It'll be quicker than the road. (6 letters)
124 The gardener is cutting _ _ _ _ the branches on the rose bush. It's getting too big. (4 letters)

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'c'...**

125 I'm trying to cut back _ _ the number of hours I work. (2 letters)
126 Her doctor told her to cut _ _ _ _ on the amount of fatty food she eats. (4 letters)
127 We should ask the gardener to cut _ _ _ _ that dead tree. (4 letters)
128 I was on the phone to my mother when we got cut _ _ _ , so I had to call her again. (3 letters)
129 We saw our photo in the newspaper, so we cut it _ _ _ . (3 letters)
130 I was driving home when my car's engine cut _ _ _ . (3 letters)
131 His father wanted him to be a soldier, but he wasn't cut out _ _ _ a career in the army. (3 letters)
132 Could you cut _ _ some bananas for the fruit salad, please? (2 letters)

| **dawn on** | It just **dawned on** me that nearly all of our slow deliveries were sent by UPS. I hadn't realized this before. | dawn on sb |
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| I was on the train when it dawned on me that I'd left by phone at home. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **occur to** |

| **deal in** | My uncle has always loved collecting stamps, so he set up a small company that **deals in** old stamps and related items. | deal in sth |
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| She set up a successful website that deals in second-hand books. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **deal with** | Would you mind **dealing with** this customer's enquiry? I'm too busy at the moment. | deal with sth/sb |
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| Jim is very good at dealing with technical problems. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **attend to** |

| **decide against** | After thinking about it for a while, I **decided against** quitting my job and starting my own company. If it failed, I'd lose everything. | decide against sth/sb |
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| We've decided against opening a branch in Japan due to the high costs. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **decide on** | The studio has already **decided on** the actors for the main roles in the next *James Bond* film. | decide on sth/sb |
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| Why did you decide on using UPS to send the shipment? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **settle on** |

| **depend on** | You can **depend on** Jill to do a good job. She's very reliable and I'm sure she won't let you down. | depend on sb/sth<br>depend on sb/sth to do sth |
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| Do you think we can depend on the postal service to deliver this? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **count on**, **rely on**, **bank on** |

| **depend on** | I'm still not sure if we can play tennis today. It **depends on** the weather. | depend on sth |
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| Delivery time depends on the shipment method you choose. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **deter from** | The number of spectators at the golf tournament was down today. The rain must have **deterred** many people **from** coming to watch. | deter sb from doing sth |
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| The terrorist attacks deterred many people from visiting the city. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put off** |

| **devote to** | The CNN cable news channel decided to **devote** more time **to** covering stories about health and the environment. | devote sth to sth |
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| Princess Diana devoted most of her time to helping people in need. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **die down** | The controversy about the president's mistake took a long time to **die down**. People were still talking about it a year later. | die down |
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| The musicians waited for the applause to die down before starting to play. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **dying for** (informal) | I'm **dying for** a cup of coffee. Would you mind ordering one for me? | (be) dying for sth |
| I haven't had a massage all week and I'm dying for one. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **itch for, yearn for** (formal) |

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| **die out** | Many languages are **dying out** because fewer and fewer people are learning them and speaking them. | die out |
| Many animal species have died out recently and disappeared forever. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **dig up** | While workers were **digging up** the road they found a dead body. The police then came and **dug** the body **up** and took it away. | dig up sth<br>dig sth up |
| I did a search on the internet and dug up some amazing information. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **dip into** | If we run out of milk, just **dip into** the petty cash and run down to the shop and get some. | dip into sth |
| Nicola has decided to dip into her savings and take a trip to Italy. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **dish out** (informal) | When she gets drunk she either **dishes out** praise that's too high, or **dishes out** criticism that's too harsh. She never gets it right. | dish out sth<br>dish sth out |
| The college was accused of dishing out degrees to anyone who could pay. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give out, hand out** |

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| **dispose of** (formal) | If someone **disposes of** a cigarette by throwing it on the ground, they can be fined up to $500. | dispose of sth |
| The hospital was fined for not disposing of its waste properly. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **throw away / out** |

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| **divide up** | We decided to **divide** the profits **up** equally and pay each partner his share at the end of each month. | divide sth up<br>divide up sth |
| We divided the space up into 20 cubicles with a desk and a chair in each. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **do about** | We all know that global warming is a serious problem so we all have to start **doing** something **about** it, like driving our cars less. | do sth about sth/sb |
| My dad is drinking too much alcohol and I don't know what to do about it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **do away with** | The government should **do away with** taxes for poor people if they can't afford to pay them. | do away with sth |
| Our boss did away with the dress code, so we can wear whatever we like. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **do up** | Don't forget to **do up** your seatbelt before you start driving. | do up sth<br>do sth up |
| My friend noticed that my fly was undone and told me to do it up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **do up** | We've decided to **do up** our apartment. We'll paint it, redecorate it and buy some new furniture. | do up sth<br>do sth up |
| We buy old houses, do them up, and then sell them for a profit. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **fix up** |

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| **do with** | What did you **do with** the magazines I put here yesterday? You haven't thrown them out, have you? | do with sth/sb |
| What will you do with all that free time after you've retired? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **do without** | We'll have to **do without** the air-conditioning while they fix it. It's going to be really hot! | do without sth/sb |
| She can't do without her coffee in the morning. It gets her going. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go without** |

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| **doze off** | Jose **dozed off** during our boss's speech and started to snore. It was really funny! | doze off |
| I didn't sleep very well last night, so I dozed off at my desk today. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **nod off** |

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| **drag on** | His speech seemed to **drag on** for hours. He nearly put everyone to sleep! | drag on<br>drag on for sth |
| The meeting was very slow and boring. It dragged on for ages. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go on** |

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| **draw on / upon** | We always like to employ a few older people who have lots of experience to **draw on** when doing their work. | draw on sth<br>draw upon sth |
| She never gets tired. She must have a huge supply of energy to draw upon. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **draw up** | We need our lawyer to **draw up** a new contract for employees before we hire any new staff. | draw up sth<br>draw sth up |
| After drawing up the new guidelines, he passed them on to the manager. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **write up** |

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| **dream of** | When he was young, he **dreamed of** being a famous football player. | dream of sth<br>dream of doing sth |
| Bob dreamed of becoming a rich and successful businessman. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **dream up** | It must take a brilliant imagination to **dream up** something as detailed and rich as the world of Lord of the Rings. | dream up sth<br>dream sth up |
| Do you know which culture first dreamed the idea of democracy up? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come up with, think up** |

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| **drive out** | During the war, people were **driven out** of their homes by invading soldiers and forced to live in refugee camps. | drive out sb<br>drive sb out |
| Why did police drive the beggars out of the park and onto the streets? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **drop by** (informal) | Why don't you **drop by** on your way home from work and help me cook some food? | drop by |
| How about dropping by on Saturday afternoon and we'll watch the golf? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come around, come over, stop by** |

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| **drop in** | I'll pop by the library on my way home and **drop** the books **in**. | drop sth in |
| Could you drop the sales report in to my office when it's done? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **drop off** |

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| **drop off** | Every morning I **drop** the kids **off** at school on my way to work. | drop sb/sth off<br>drop off sb/sth |
| Make sure someone drops off these samples at the customer's office today. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **drop out** | Not many students **drop out** of university these days, but in the 1960s many quit studying so they'd be free to do whatever they wanted to. | drop out<br>drop out of sth |
| Tell the staff that I don't want anyone dropping out of the English classes. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **opt out** |

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| **dry up** | The farm's dams **dried up** during the drought, but they filled up again after some storms. | dry up |
| If the world's oil reserves dried up, the economy would collapse. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **dumb down** (informal) | Some movie directors say big studios want them to **dumb** their movies **down** so more people can understand them. | dumb sth down<br>dumb down sth |
| Do you think it's true that media companies dumb down their products? | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **D d**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'd'...**

1 It suddenly dawned _ _ me that I'd left my umbrella in the car, so I went back to get it. (2 letters)
2 She set up a successful company that deals _ _ second-hand computer parts. (2 letters)
3 Could you _ _ _ _ with this customer? I'm too busy at the moment. (4 letters)
4 Amir has to deal _ _ _ _ many problems in his job. (4 letters)
5 I thought about taking the new job but I decided _ _ _ _ _ _ _ it, so I'm keeping this one. (7 letters)
6 How did you decide _ _ which delivery service to use to send the shipment? (2 letters)
7 You can _ _ _ _ _ _ on Robert. He's very reliable and he won't let you down. (6 letters)
8 We're not sure what we're doing tomorrow. It depends _ _ the weather. (2 letters)
9 He was deterred _ _ _ _ going into politics by the fear of media intrusion. (4 letters)
10 Bill Gates decided to devote most of his time and money _ _ helping people in need. (2 letters)
11 The controversy about corrupt government officials has finally died _ _ _ _ . (4 letters)
12 Let's go to a coffee shop. I'm dying _ _ _ a nice hot cappuccino. (3 letters)
13 Many animal species are dying _ _ _ as their habitats are being destroyed. (3 letters)
14 My dog could smell the bone buried in the garden and used his paws to _ _ _ it up. (3 letters)
15 Leila has decided to dip _ _ _ _ her savings to buy a new computer. (4 letters)
16 Has the nuclear power industry worked out how to safely dispose _ _ nuclear waste yet? (2 letters)
17 We'll divide the profits _ _ equally among all the investors. (2 letters)
18 There's a problem with our network and we have to do something _ _ _ _ _ it now. (5 letters)
19 We should do _ _ _ _ with laws that allow police to listen in on our private phone calls. (4 letters)
20 Before the plane landed, we straightened our seats and did _ _ our seatbelts. (2 letters)
21 We're going to do _ _ the old house by painting it and redecorating it. (2 letters)
22 What will you do _ _ _ _ all that money you won in the lottery? (4 letters)
23 We'll have to do _ _ _ _ _ _ _ the photocopier while they're fixing it. (7 letters)
24 He dozed _ _ _ during the concert and started to snore. (3 letters)
25 The movie was so boring that it seemed to drag _ _ for hours. (2 letters)
26 Older people have lots of experience to draw _ _ _ _ when working. (4 letters)
27 Can you tell our lawyer to draw _ _ a new distribution agreement? (2 letters)
28 When she was young she dreamed _ _ being a ballet dancer. (2 letters)
29 Do you know who first dreamed _ _ the idea of the world wide web? (2 letters)
30 The police drove the protesters _ _ _ of the building and onto the street. (3 letters)
31 Why don't you drop _ _ my apartment on your way home? (2 letters)
32 Could you _ _ _ _ these books into the library on your way to work? They're late. (4 letters)
33 Would you mind dropping the report _ _ _ on your way home? (3 letters)
34 I'll _ _ _ _ you off at the station on my way to work. (4 letters)
35 The English classes were boring, so many people dropped _ _ _ and stopped going. (3 letters)
36 Oil reserves could dry _ _ before the end of the century. (2 letters)
37 Do you think some movies are dumbed _ _ _ _ so more people can understand them? (4 letters)

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| **eat in** | I don't feel like going out to a restaurant. Let's stay home and **eat in** tonight. | eat in |
| If you eat in a lot, make sure you don't just heat up frozen meals. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **eat into** | Inflation is **eating into** my savings. Every year prices rise and I can buy less with the money I've put away for the future. | eat into sth |
| The strengthening currency is eating into our export profits. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **eat out** | Let's **eat out** tonight. We haven't been to a restaurant for ages. | eat out |
| Eating out is expensive, so it's good to know how to cook at home. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **eat up** | How can I get my son to **eat up** all his vegetables? He says he hates them and leaves most of them on his plate. | eat up sth<br>eat sth up |
| Profits are being eaten up by the rising costs of running a business. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **egg on** | Peter doesn't usually drink too much, but people in the bar were cheering him and **egging** him **on** and before long he was really drunk. | egg sb on |
| He wouldn't have stolen the car if his friends hadn't egged him on. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **embark on / upon** | After quitting her job as a nurse, Salama **embarked upon** a new career as a travelling fashion photographer. | embark upon sth<br>embark on sth |
| The government has embarked on a campaign to promote healthy food. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **launch into** |

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| **end up** | If you hadn't studied hard and got good qualifications, you might have **ended up** in a boring, low-paying job. | end up<br>end up doing sth |
| If we keep improving our market share, we'll end up leading the sector. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **finish up, wind up** |

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| **end with** | After a great concert and lots of dancing, the New Year's Eve celebrations **ended with** a fantastic display of fireworks. | end with sth<br>end sth with sth |
| She ended her talk with a summary of the main points she'd made. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **culminate in** |

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| **engage in** (formal) | The power company is **engaged in** a dispute with local people over the construction of a dam that would destroy many villages. | engage in sth<br>(be) engaged in sth |
| Most of our students are engaged in social and sporting activities. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **involve in** |

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| **enter into** | The government has **entered into** an agreement to help companies cover the cost of reducing pollution by lowering their taxes. | enter into sth |
| We are entering into discussions with several potential investors. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **entitle to** | Every Australian citizen is **entitled to** an old-age pension once they reach the age of sixty-five. | | (be) entitled to sth<br>entitle sb to sth<br>entitle sb to do sth |
| Membership entitles you and a guest to the use all of the club's facilities. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **even up** | You paid for dinner last time, so if I pay this time that'll **even** things **up**. | | even sth up<br>even up sth |
| Our players have evened up the score. If we score again we'll be ahead. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **expose to** | Many soldiers were **exposed to** dangerous chemicals during the war and some are now getting sick as a result. | | expose sb to sth<br>(be) exposed to sth |
| It's a good idea to expose young staff to various work environments. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **E e**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'e'...**

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| 1 I don't feel like going out to a restaurant tonight, so let's _ _ _ in. | (3 letters) |
| 2 High fuel costs are eating _ _ _ _ the profits of many businesses. | (4 letters) |
| 3 Let's eat _ _ _ tonight. I know a great Japanese restaurant near here. | (3 letters) |
| 4 If the kids eat _ _ all their vegetables, they can have dessert. | (2 letters) |
| 5 He got drunk and danced on the table because his friends were egging him _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 6 After quitting his job in business, Joe embarked _ _ a new career as a teacher. | (2 letters) |
| 7 If you don't study hard, you might end _ _ working in a job you don't like. | (2 letters) |
| 8 They ended the concert _ _ _ _ an extended version of one of their most popular songs. | (4 letters) |
| 9 The timber company is engaged _ _ a dispute with local people over logging their forest. | (2 letters) |
| 10 Laos and Thailand entered _ _ _ _ an agreement to build a bridge over their border. | (4 letters) |
| 11 In most European countries, all citizens are entitled _ _ free medical care. | (2 letters) |
| 12 You paid the bill last time, so I'll pay this time and that'll even things _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 13 Do you think it's good for children to be exposed _ _ places like hospitals and prisons? | (2 letters) |

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| **face up to** | It's time I **faced up to** the fact that I'm getting older and I have to start taking better care of my body. | face up to sth |
| We have to face up to the challenge of competing with cheap imports. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **face with** | Kim was **faced with** a difficult decision when offered a high-paying job in Korea. If she took it, she'd have to live far away from her family. | (be) faced with sth |
| Our company is faced with strong competition from foreign producers. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come up against, run up against** |

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| **factor in** | Don't forget to **factor in** the cost of moving to our new offices when you work out next year's budget. | factor in sth<br>factor sth in |
| If we factor lower labour costs in, production in Vietnam is cheaper. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **allow for** |

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| **fall apart** | Use strong glue when you put together your model airplane or it'll **fall apart** when you try to fly it. | fall apart |
| If the deal falls apart, we'll have to look for other investors. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come apart** |

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| **fall back on** | If you get your degree, you'll have some qualifications to **fall back on** if your career in music doesn't work out. | fall back on sth |
| If his new business fails, he has teaching to fall back on to make a living. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **resort to, turn to** |

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| **fall behind** | If she takes too much time off school, she'll **fall behind**. Then she'll have to study very hard to catch up with her classmates. | fall behind<br>fall behind with/in sth |
| If we fall behind with our loan repayments, we could lose our apartment. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fall for** | The salesman is trying to talk you into spending more money than you need to. Don't **fall for** it! | fall for sth |
| Don't fall for email scams which promise to make you a lot of money. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fall for** | He **fell for** Katherine as soon as they met. He says it was love at first sight. | fall for sb |
| When she was young, she'd fall for any boy who was cute and acted cool. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fall off** | Sales of sunscreen lotion always **fall off** in winter, but pick up again in summer, of course. | fall off |
| Interest in the company's shares fell off when their new products sold poorly. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go down** |

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| **fall out** | Jim and Bob **fell out** because of a disagreement over money, and now they're not talking to each other. | fall out<br>fall out with sb<br>fall out over sth |
| The band broke up after the members fell out over artistic differences. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fall over** | My little boy was running along when he tripped and **fell over** and hurt his knee. | fall over<br>fall over sth |
| Falling over in the bathroom can result in serious head injuries. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fall through** | Our plans for a trip to China **fell through** when my wife got sick and we had to stay home. | fall through |
| The company's plans to expand fell through due to lack of finance. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **feel for** | She stays out late and comes home drunk. Her neighbours **feel for** her children, but they don't know what they can do for them. | feel for sb |
| People who feel for poor kids can join a scheme to sponsor a child overseas. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fend off** | A gang of young men attacked Rajiv in the street. He tried to **fend** them **off**, but there were too many of them and he was badly beaten. | fend off sth/sb<br>fend sth/sb off |
| It's not easy to fend a big dog off if it's trying to attack you and bite you. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fight off**, **ward off** |

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| **fight back** | Johnny just stands there when other kids tease him. He won't defend himself or **fight back** in any way. | fight back<br>fight back against sth/sb |
| Local shoe manufacturers will have to fight back against cheap imports. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hit back** |

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| **fight off** | You have to **fight off** those negative thoughts or you'll start believing them and thinking you can't succeed. And you can! | fight off sth/sb<br>fight sth/sb off |
| Local producers are fighting off competition from foreign companies. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fend off**, **ward off**, **stand up to** |

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| **figure on** | He hadn't **figured on** economic problems causing his business to fail, so now that they have he doesn't know what to do. | figure on sth<br>figure on doing sth |
| How do they figure on competing with cheap, imported products? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **figure out** | Read the two example sentences and try to **figure out** what the phrasal verb means. | figure out sth<br>figure sth out |
| We need to figure out a way to increase our market share. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **work out** |

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| **figure out** | Even though I've known her for a couple of years, I still haven't **figured** Kathy **out**. I never know what she's really thinking. | figure sb out |
| Good managers can figure people out and deal with them effectively. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **work out** |

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| **fill in** | In the next exercise, you'll have to **fill in** the blanks with the correct form of the verb. | fill in sth<br>fill sth in<br>fill sth in with sth |
| Each new employee has to fill this form in with their personal details. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fill in** | Could you **fill** me **in** on the details before the meeting starts? I haven't had time to read the report. | fill sb in<br>fill sb in on sth |
| I'll fill everyone in on the results of the survey at tomorrow's meeting. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fill in** | We had a substitute teacher today. She'll be **filling in** for Mr. Shan until he gets better. | fill in<br>fill in for sb |
| Bill can't chair today's meeting, so Sue's filling in for him. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **sit in for**, **stand in** |

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| **fill out** | Before the job interview begins you'll have to **fill out** your application form, so make sure you take a pen. | fill out sth<br>fill sth out<br>fill sth out with sth |
| Could you fill these order forms out before the end of the day, please? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fill in** |

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| **fill up** | If you pour a glass of beer for someone, make sure you fill it up to the top. | fill sth up<br>fill up sth |
| Don't forget to fill up the car with petrol before you leave. It's a very long trip. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **find out** | Sue's having trouble sleeping because she's worried that her boss will **find out** about her mistake and sack her. | find out sth<br>find sth out<br>find out about sth |
| Could you find out how long it takes to send a shipment to Japan? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **finish off** | There's just one piece of apple pie left. Who'd like to finish it off? | finish off sth<br>finish sth off |
| The report isn't ready yet, but I should be able to finish it off tomorrow. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **polish off** (inf, used mostly for food) |

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| **finish up** | After working her way around South America, Sue **finished up** in Mexico City working as an English teacher. | finish up<br>finish up doing sth |
| We finished up working half the night in order to get the job done on time. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **end up**, **wind up** |

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| **finish with** | Have you nearly **finished with** the printer, or do you have more to do? | finish with sth<br>(be) finished with sth |
| Put the projector back in the storeroom when you've finished with it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fire up** | The coach **fired up** his players with his half-time talk, and they came out and played much better in the second half. | fire sb up<br>(be) fired up |
| Our sales manager is good at motivating sales staff. She really fires them up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fit in** | My son's having problems **fitting in** with other kids at his new school. He says they aren't very friendly towards him. | fit in<br>fit in with sth/sb |
| We need new staff who can easily fit in with our marketing team. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get on**, **get along** |

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| **fit together** | To complete a jigsaw puzzle, you have to **fit** all the pieces **together** to form a picture. | fit together<br>fit sth together |
| If the parts are made properly, they'll fit together perfectly. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **piece together**, **put together** |

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| **fix up** | We bought an old house and **fixed** it **up**. We painted it and redecorated it and now it looks lovely. | fix sth up<br>fix up sth |
| Wouldn't fixing up our old factory be cheaper than building a new one? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **do up** |

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| **fizzle out** | The band was really popular for a few months, but interest in them **fizzled out** when their good-looking singer left to form another band. | fizzle out |
| There used to be a lot of interest in the company, but it's fizzled out now. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **die out** |

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| **flare up** | It's dangerous in parts of this city. Violence among drug gangs can suddenly **flare up** and innocent people can get hurt. | flare up |
| We'll need good security at the concert as fights can flare up at any time. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **flick through** | I don't like it when bookshops seal their books. I like to **flick through** the pages and have a good look before deciding to buy one. | flick through sth |
| I was flicking through our annual report when I came across this mistake. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go through**, **look through** |

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| **flood in** | Thousands of cheap products have been **flooding in** from China and they're being sold in our department stores for huge profits. | flood in |
| Orders for the new best-selling book have been flooding in all week. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pour in** |

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| **focus on** | The new government will **focus on** developing the country's industrial sector in order to create more jobs and boost the economy. | focus on sth |
| Our company has always focused on producing high-end products. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **concentrate on** |

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| **follow up** | If you meet a potential client, make sure you get their business card and then **follow up** the initial contact with a phone call the next day. | follow up sth<br>follow sth up |
| We'll follow this report up with occasional updates on developments. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **fool around** | Everyone in the office was telling jokes and laughing when the boss came in and told us to stop **fooling around** and start doing some work. | fool around |
| This is a serious business and we don't have time to fool around. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clown around**, **kid around**, **play around** |

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| **free up** | We have to stop making some of our models for a while to **free up** machines in order to fill a huge order for one particular model. | free up sth/sb<br>free sth/sb up |
| We need to free up staff from other departments to help us out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **freshen up** | It was hot outside and I felt sweaty when I came back in, so I went straight to the bathroom to **freshen up**. | freshen up<br>freshen sth up<br>freshen up sth |
| I chew on mints to freshen up my breath after I have a cigarette. Do they work? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **function as** | David is very important to his football club. As well as being their captain and best player, he **functions as** their media spokesman. | function as sth |
| My apartment functions as an office and store-room as well as my home. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **act as** |

## 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **F f**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'f'...**

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| 1 | We have to _ _ _ _ up to the fact that many students need help with phrasal verbs. | (4 letters) |
| 2 | Our company is faced _ _ _ _ the challenge of developing exciting new products. | (4 letters) |
| 3 | You should factor _ _ rising wages and fuel costs when you work out next year's budget. | (2 letters) |
| 4 | You can't touch the old books because they're fragile and they fall _ _ _ _ _ easily. | (5 letters) |
| 5 | He'll need a degree to fall _ _ _ _ on in case he can't make a living from music. | (4 letters) |
| 6 | If I fall _ _ _ _ _ _ in my work, I'll have to do some overtime to catch up. | (6 letters) |
| 7 | Romeo and Juliet fell _ _ _ each other, but their families wouldn't accept their love. | (3 letters) |
| 8 | Sales of CDs have been falling _ _ _ since people started downloading music online. | (3 letters) |
| 9 | Due to a dispute over money, they fell _ _ _ and aren't speaking to each other. | (3 letters) |
| 10 | The little girl fell _ _ _ _ and hurt her knee. | (4 letters) |
| 11 | Our holiday plans fell _ _ _ _ _ _ _ when one of our kids came down with the flu. | (7 letters) |
| 12 | Angelina feels _ _ _ children in poor countries and tries to help them whenever she can. | (3 letters) |
| 13 | It's difficult to fend _ _ _ a big dog if it's attacking you. | (3 letters) |
| 14 | When kids bully him, the shy boy won't fight _ _ _ _ . He just looks at the floor. | (4 letters) |
| 15 | A healthy body fights _ _ _ infectious diseases more effectively than an unhealthy body. | (3 letters) |
| 16 | What do you figure _ _ doing if your company closes down? | (2 letters) |
| 17 | Can you figure _ _ _ what the phrasal verb in the example sentence means? | (3 letters) |
| 18 | He's a strange guy. I never know what he's thinking and I really can't figure him _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |
| 19 | You have to _ _ _ _ in the blanks with a word that correctly completes the sentence. | (4 letters) |
| 20 | Our teacher is sick today, so another teacher is filling _ _ for her. | (2 letters) |
| 21 | The police spokesman filled the reporters in _ _ the latest developments in the case. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | Before you're interviewed for a visa, you'll have to fill _ _ _ a visa application form. | (3 letters) |
| 23 | Can you fill the car _ _ with gas before bringing it back? | (2 letters) |
| 24 | How did you find _ _ _ about the company's secret plans? | (3 letters) |
| 25 | Are you sure you can finish _ _ _ the report before Monday morning? | (3 letters) |
| 26 | After travelling around Asia, Jenny finished _ _ working on a farm in New Zealand. | (2 letters) |
| 27 | Could you drop the newspaper into my office when you've finished _ _ _ _ it? | (4 letters) |
| 28 | After a bad start, the coach fired _ _ his players with his half-time team talk. | (2 letters) |
| 29 | Kids sometimes have problems fitting _ _ at a new school. | (2 letters) |
| 30 | If a jigsaw puzzle is made properly, the pieces will fit _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ perfectly. | (8 letters) |
| 31 | As your best friend, I should tell you that you need to freshen _ _ your breath somehow. | (2 letters) |
| 32 | Our house looks old and a bit run down, so we're going to fix it _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 33 | There used to be a lot of interest in the band, but it fizzled _ _ _ when the singer left. | (3 letters) |
| 34 | Many police are needed at football games because fights can flare _ _ among fans. | (2 letters) |
| 35 | I like to flick _ _ _ _ _ _ _ the pages of a magazine before I buy it. | (7 letters) |
| 36 | Orders have been flooding _ _ since they released their new line of computers. | (2 letters) |
| 37 | The new government will focus _ _ improving the country's education system. | (2 letters) |
| 38 | We'll follow _ _ the seminar with monthly reports on the issues that were covered. | (2 letters) |
| 39 | We've got our exams next week, so we don't have time to fool _ _ _ _ _ _ in our classes. | (6 letters) |
| 40 | I'll try to free _ _ some time for the meeting tomorrow afternoon. | (2 letters) |
| 41 | He felt hot and sweaty after playing tennis, so he went to the bathroom to freshen _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 42 | Sarah functions _ _ the company's manager, receptionist, driver and cleaner. | (2 letters) |

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| **gear to / towards** | The courses in our school are **geared to** preparing students for the demands of work in the real world. | (be) geared to / towards sth<br>(be)geared to doing sth |
| The show is geared towards discovering talented singers. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get about** | You don't need a car to **get about** in Zurich. With all the excellent buses and trains, **getting about** on public transport is easy. | get about<br>get about on sth |
| Our messengers could save time by getting about on motorbikes. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get around** |

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| **get across** | Even though he's studied English for many years, he still has trouble **getting** his ideas **across** in a conversation. | get sth across<br>get sth across to sb |
| An advertising campaign has to get the message across clearly and simply. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put across** |

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| **get ahead** | His new business is doing very well and, after years of struggling to make a good income, he's starting to **get ahead** financially. | get ahead |
| The best way to get ahead in this company is to do excellent work. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get ahead of** | He ran fast to **get ahead of** his competitors, and now he's leading the race. | get ahead of sb/sth |
| Good market research helped their company get ahead of the others. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get along** | My sister and I used to argue a lot, but now we **get along** well. | get along<br>get along with sb |
| We want friendly staff who know how to get along with each other. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get on (with)** |

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| **get around** (Brit/Aust) | There's no way of **getting around** the new tax, so we'll just have to pay it. | get around sth |
| We have to get around the government's new regulations somehow. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get around** | The best way to **get around** is by subway. It's fast and you don't waste time looking for somewhere to park your car. | get around<br>get around by sth |
| Getting around by car takes ages but motorbikes are much too dangerous. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get about** |

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| **get around to**(Brit/Aust) | I haven't done the work in the garden yet because I've been so busy, but I'll **get around to** it soon. | get around to sth<br>get around to doing sth |
| When are you going to get around to writing that report? It's already late. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get at** | Make sure you keep the sugar in a sealed container so the ants can't **get at** it. | get at sth |
| We need the best security software so hackers can't get at our data. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get at** | I didn't understand the last part of her lecture. Do you know what she was **getting at**? | get at<br>get at sth |
| I know what he's getting at, but he could be expressing himself better. | ✍ | 🕮 *Note:* Usually progressive , as in 'What's he getting at?' |

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| **get away** | We caught a young guy stealing from our shop. He struggled and **got away** before the police arrived, but they're looking for him now. | get away<br>get away from sb/sth |
| If possible, I'll get away from the office early and we can meet somewhere. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get away with** | He said he **got away with** stealing from shops many times when he was young. He never got caught, and had the sense to stop before he was. | get away with sth |
| The students didn't get away with cheating in the exam. They were caught. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get back** | Can I borrow your book after you **get** it **back** from John? | get sth back<br>get sth back from sb |
| If we don't get our market share back soon, we'll be in trouble. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get back at** | I'll never forget the way he insulted me in public. One day I'll **get back at** him by making him look stupid in front of lots of people. | get back at sb |
| After we sacked him, he tried to get back at us by saying we avoided tax. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pay back** |

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| **get back to** | We've talked enough about this issue, so let's **get back to** the main topic of the meeting. | get back to sth |
| I think the company needs to get back to doing what it does best. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come back to, return to** |

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| **get back to** | If you don't have the information you're asked for, tell the customer you'll find out and **get back to** them as soon as possible. | get back to sb |
| Our policy is to get back to customers who email us within 24 hours. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get by** | Sally **gets by** on her salary, but only just. She can't afford to buy a new car or travel overseas. | get by<br>get by on sth |
| The marketing team can't get by on their current budget. It isn't enough. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get by with / without** | Her son wants a car, but he'll have to **get by without** one until he starts working. She said he could **get by with** public transport for now. | get by with sth<br>get by without sth |
| He doesn't need a really expensive computer. He gets by with a cheap one. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get down** | I can't talk to Rafael when he's depressed. He complains about everything and that **gets** me **down**, and I end up feeling unhappy as well. | get sb down |
| All the bad news in the media gets my father down sometimes. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get down to** | If our company is going to succeed, we have to stop wasting time in meetings and **get down to** business and start making some money. | get down to sth |
| I sometimes find it hard to get down to work again after a big lunch. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get on with** |

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| **get in** | Mum **got in** the back seat with the kids, and Billy **got in** the front seat with his dad. | get in<br>get in sth |
| She came back to the office late last night, but she couldn't get in. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get in** | Do you know what time the train from London **gets in**? I promised to pick up my mother. | get in |
| Give me a call as soon as you get in and we'll set up a meeting. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come in** |

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| **get in** | You'd better make sure you **get** your application **in** on time, or your chances of getting a place on the course will be zero. | get sth in |
| Angelina has to get her school report in by the end of the week. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put in** |

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| **get into** (informal) | Most young people **get into** healthy activities like sports and music, but some **get into** bad habits such as taking drugs and drinking alcohol. | get into sth<br>get into doing sth |
| When he was young Sam got into jazz, and he still loves listening to it today. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **take up** |

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| **get off** | We can't **get off** the plane until they open the doors, so there's no point standing up until they do. | get off sth |
| Tell her to get off the train in Rome and we'll pick her up from there. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get out (of)** |

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| **get off** | **Get off** the car, son. You'll leave footprints on the roof. | get off sth |
| After getting your award, you can get off the stage by walking to your left. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get off** | **Get** the car **off** the lawn, son. It'll leave tyre marks on the grass. | get sth off sth |
| As soon as the band finishes, get their instruments off the stage. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **get off** | Most Americans only **get** two weeks **off** each year. In many other developed countries, people **get** at least four weeks **off** for vacations. | get off<br>get sth off |
| How many days do you get off during the New Year holiday period? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **take off** |

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| **get on** | How're you **getting on** with the other people in the office? Have you had any problems with anyone? | get on<br>get on with sb |
| Mary's a very sweet person and she's very easy to get on with. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get along** |

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| **get on** | James helped an old lady **get on** the bus today. He's a real gentleman. | get on sth |
| Who would you like to see getting on the Board of Directors? | | *see also:* **get onto** |

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| **get on** | It's really cold outside. Have you **got** your thick socks and your extra-warm underwear **on**? | get sth on |
| How long will it take for the dancers to get their new costumes on? | | *see also:* **put on** |

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| **get onto** | Her father was very pleased when she **got onto** the Board of Directors. | get onto sth |
| What do I need to do to get my friend onto the planning committee? | | *see also:* **get on** |

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| **get onto** | I think we've probably covered that topic. Does anyone want to add anything before we **get onto** the next item on the agenda? | get onto sth |
| How did we get onto sport? Shouldn't we be discussing work issues? | | *see also:* **move on (to)** |

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| **get on with** | Their boss came into the office and said, '**Get on with** your work! I don't pay you to sit around chatting on your phones all day!' | get on with sth |
| Let's get on with the job of looking for some new customers. | | *see also:* **get down to** |

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| **get out** | She tried to **get out** of the burning car but she couldn't open the door. It was stuck, so she yelled out, `Help! I can't **get out**!' | get out<br>get out of sth |
| They couldn't get out of the building because of the bars on the windows. | | |

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| **get out of** | My daughter hates going to the dentist. She always tries to **get out of** it by saying she feels sick. | get out of sth<br>get out of doing sth |
| Maria will do anything to get out of speaking in public. She hates it. | | |

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| **get over** | Benito's still feeling the pain of breaking up with his girlfriend. It's taking him a long time to **get over** it. | get over sth/sb |
| How long does your doctor say it'll take you to get over the operation? | | *see also:* **shake off** |

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| **get over** | Paul still can't **get over** the fact that he came top of his class in the English exam. He really was surprised. | get over sth |
| It took her a while to get over the shock of winning the lottery. | | *Note:* Often negative, as in 'I can't get over winning.' |

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| **get through** | It'll take hours to **get through** all these emails. There must be hundreds of them! | get through sth |
| If we work as a team, we can get through the reports much faster. | | |

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| **get through** | He's been calling Jill all morning, but he can't **get through** to her. Maybe she's turned off her phone. | get through<br>get through to sb/sth |
| If you can't get through to my cell phone, try calling the office. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **get through to** | My daughter still wants to go rock climbing. I can't seem to **get through to** her how dangerous it is. | get through to sb<br>get sth through to sb |
| How can we get the idea that we need top quality work through to our staff? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get across (to)** |

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| **get together** | When we were kids, our whole neighbourhood **got together** at Auntie Joy's house on Christmas morning for our Christmas 'block party'. | get together<br>get together with sb<br>get together for sth |
| We all get together on Saturday nights for dinner and a night on the town. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **meet up** |

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| **get up** | Hondo was late. He usually **gets up** at 6 o'clock, and today his alarm woke him up, but he went straight back to sleep. | get up<br>get sb up |
| Even when I have a day off, I get up early. I can't help waking up at 6 a.m. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **get up** | The students **got up** when their teacher came into the classroom, and they didn't sit down until she had sat down. | get up |
| In many cultures it's polite to get up when someone enters a room. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **stand up** |

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| **get up to** (informal) | We **got up to** all sorts of mischief when we were kids, like stealing golf balls from golfers and then selling them to the golf shop. | get up to sth |
| The accountant got up to his usual tricks to cheat the company. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **give away** | Bill Gates **gives away** a lot of his money to help people improve their lives, especially in the areas of health and education. | give away sth<br>give sth away |
| It's good PR for drug companies to give drugs away in poor countries. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **give away** | He was dressed as a woman, but as soon as he spoke we knew he was a man. His deep voice **gave** him **away**. | give sb away |
| He tried to hide his fear, but his trembling hands gave him away. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **give back** | Has he **given back** the money he borrowed from you yet? | give back sth<br>give sth back |
| Successful companies usually give something back to the community. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pay back** |

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| **give in** | Keep on trying to learn these phrasal verbs and don't **give in**. I know you can do it! | give in |
| Joe is very determined when trying to make a sale and never gives in. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **give up** |

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| **give in** | Please **give** your test papers **in** at the door when you're leaving. | give sth in<br>give in sth |
| He decided to quit his job and give in his notice at the end of the week. | ✍ | *see also:* **hand in** |

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| **give off** | The durian fruit **gives off** a strong smell which many people don't like, but most people think it's soft yellow flesh is really delicious. | give off sth |
| Coal-fired power plants give off a lot of damaging atmospheric pollutants. | ✍ | |

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| **give out** | Could you **give** these test papers **out** to the students, please? | give out sth<br>give sth out |
| Our sales staff will be giving out brochures at the trade fair. | ✍ | *see also:* **hand out** |

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| **give out** | When the supply of oil **gives out**, we might have to use cars powered by electricity instead. | give out |
| The earthquake damaged gas pipelines and the gas supply soon gave out. | ✍ | *see also:* **run out** |

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| **give up** | Police surrounded the killer and told him to **give up** his weapon or they'd shoot him. | give up sth<br>give sth up |
| We're not going to give up our market share without a fight. | ✍ | *see also:* **hand over** |

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| **give up** | Many people are trying to **give up** cigarettes, but it's a very difficult habit to break. | give up sth<br>give sth up |
| He said giving up alcohol was the best thing he's ever done for himself. | ✍ | |

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| **give up** | Keep on trying to learn these phrasal verbs and don't **give up**. I'm sure you can do it! | give up<br>give up doing sth |
| It's taking a long time to open markets in Asia, but we won't give up trying. | ✍ | *see also:* **give in** |

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| **go about** | How do you think we should **go about** increasing sales? | go about sth |
| What do you think of the way the police are going about the investigation? | ✍ | *see also:* **set about** |

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| **go against** | Salaries can't be increased now because it'd **go against** the company's cost-cutting policy. | go against sth/sb |
| We can't go against the wishes of the Board of Directors. | ✍ | |

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| **go ahead** | After the lifesavers came to patrol the beach we told our kids they could **go ahead** and swim, but we didn't let them in the sea until then. | go ahead |
| I've checked the contract and it looks fine, so let's go ahead and sign it. | ✍ | *see also:* **go on** |

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| **go along with** | I usually don't **go along with** any of his opinions, but this time I agree with him. I think he's right. | go along with sth/sb |
| Do you go along with his ideas on expanding our range of products? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **go away** | The problem won't **go away** by itself. Something has to be done to solve it. | go away |
| I need a break from work, so let's go away to a resort for a few days. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **go back** | The evening rush hour starts soon and the traffic will be bad, so we should **go back** to the office now. | go back<br>go back to sth |
| She feels better today, so she should be able to go back to work tomorrow. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **return to, head back** |

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| **go back on** | You can't trust him. He promises to do something, but he often **goes back on** his word and doesn't do it. | go back on sth |
| Be careful what you say you'll do, as you can't go back on a promise. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **back out of** |

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| **go by** | That's the third bus that's **gone by** without stopping. Why don't the drivers want to pick up passengers? | go by |
| As the years went by, the company grew bigger and stronger. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pass by** |

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| **go down** | The cost of airline tickets is **going down** because of the competition from budget airlines. | go down |
| A company will fail if it allows the quality of its products to go down. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fall off** |

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| **go down** | The prime minister said that women should be paid as much as men. His comments **went down** very well with women, of course. | go down well<br>go down badly |
| The new designs went down badly with their customers and sales fell. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go over** |

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| **go for** (informal) | Our team is in the final and we're **going for** our first championship trophy in twenty years. | go for sth |
| Our company is going for the biggest contract it's ever tried to get. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **go for** (informal) | If she's on her first date with a guy, Kathy **goes for** the most expensive thing on the menu and then watches to see how the guy reacts. | go for sth |
| We usually go for the job applicant with the most experience. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **opt for, pick out** |

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| **go for** | The apartment next door **went for** about $500,000 a year ago, so how much do you think this one will **go for**? | go for<br>go for sth |
| We need to know how much the land would go for if we sold it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **go into** | Most of their income **goes into** paying off the loans they took out to buy their house and set up their business. | go into sth |
| A lot of the company's resources go into developing new products. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go into** | Let's not **go into** that topic now. We can talk about it later when we get home. | go into sth |
| I hope Ken doesn't go into one of his speeches on how to save the world. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get onto** |

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| **go off** | After we heard the bomb **go off**, we looked out the window and saw a bus and some cars on fire. | go off |
| Miko was late. She set her alarm, but after it went off she went back to sleep. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go off** | The power **went off** in the middle of the storm and I had to look for some candles in the dark. | go off |
| Computers have batteries to save work if electricity goes off in a blackout. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go on** | Chris butted in when Jill was talking, but then realised what he'd done and said, 'Sorry for interrupting. Please **go on**.' | go on |
| She doesn't realise she's boring everyone, and just goes on and on. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **carry on** |

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| **go on** | When he saw a crowd of people gathering in front of his apartment building, he found someone he knew and said, 'What's **going on**?' | go on |
| I watch the news on cable TV so I'll know what's going on in the world. | ✍ | 📖 *Note:* Usually progressive , as in 'What's going on here?' |

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| **go out** | Do you feel like staying home tonight or would you rather **go out** and do something? | go out |
| We did our biggest deal ever today, so we're all going out to celebrate. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **head off** |

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| **go out** | After burning for a few days, the forest fire finally **went out** when the rain came. | go out |
| There was a blackout and the lights went out and the computers went off. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go over** | Make sure you **go over** your notes before the test. | go over sth |
| Let's go over the details of the contract one more time before we sign it. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **check over**, **look over** |

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| **go over** | His speech **went over** really well. Everyone loved it. | go over |
| Don't worry. I'm sure your presentation will go over very well. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go down** |

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| **go through** | Can you **go through** last month's invoices and put aside any that haven't been paid yet? | go through sth |
| Please go through the contract and correct any mistakes. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **check through, look through** |

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| **go through** | Maria has **gone through** a lot this year, but she's coped with it all very well. | go through sth |
| We went through some hard times when we first emigrated to Australia. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **live through** |

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| **go through with** | We're going to **go through with** the renovation of our old apartment, even though the cost has gone up. | go through with sth |
| Despite the problems, we went through with the plan to open more shops. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **carry on (with), go on (with)** |

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| **go together** | Some colours **go together** well, such as green and gold, but others don't seem to **go** well **together**, such as green and purple. | go together |
| Most people agree that white wine and fish go together well. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go under** | His company **went under** when the economy slowed down, and he had to go back to his old job. | go under |
| All the employees lost their jobs when the company went under. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **close down, shut down** |

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| **go up** | The price of gold usually **goes up**, but if it gets too high it'll come down again. | go up |
| Our overheads went up last year, but we couldn't put our prices up. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **go with** | Are you sure the green tie **goes with** the blue shirt? Why don't you try the grey one instead? | go with sth |
| You have to learn how to deal with stress as it goes with this type of job. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go together (with)** |

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| **go without** | When he was young, Steve could **go without** sleep for a night and still be able to work the next day. But now he needs a full night's sleep. | go without sth |
| Michael loves his tea in the morning. He just can't go without it. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **do without** |

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| **grow apart** | Jenny and Kate used to be close friends, but they've **grown apart** over the years. They hardly ever see each other these days. | grow apart |
| People who are friends at work often grow apart when one leaves the job. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **grow into** | When I was young, my mum kept my old clothes for my little brother. He soon **grew into** them, but he hated wearing them. | grow into sth |
| He's still young, so it'll take him time to grow into his new role as CEO. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **grow on** | She didn't really like Prince's music at first, but it's **grown on** her and she loves it now and listens to it all the time. | grow on sb |
| I didn't like the new logo at first, but it's grown on me and I like it now. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **grow out of** | Our kids are growing fast and they quickly **grow out of** their clothes. Then they want exactly the same clothes again, but in bigger sizes. | grow out of sth |
| At last our little boy has grown out of the habit of sucking his thumb. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **grow up** | She was born in India, but her family moved when she was a baby and she **grew up** in Canada. | grow up |
| Ben didn't really grow up until he had a child and had to take responsibility. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **guard against** | How can we **guard against** our children forming bad habits such as smoking cigarettes, drinking alcohol and eating junk food? | guard against sth |
| We need to guard against illegal copies of our products being made. | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions G g

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'g'…**

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| 1 | Our training courses are geared _ _ teaching technicians how to service our products. | (2 letters) |
| 2 | You don't need a car to _ _ _ about Zurich because the public transport is excellent. | (3 letters) |
| 3 | He still has trouble getting his ideas _ _ _ _ _ _ in English. | (6 letters) |
| 4 | Invest your money wisely and you'll start _ _ _ _ _ _ _ ahead. | (7 letters) |
| 5 | They worked really hard to get _ _ _ _ _ of their competitors and lead the market. | (5 letters) |
| 6 | The sisters used to argue a lot, but they get _ _ _ _ _ well now. | (5 letters) |
| 7 | He gets along _ _ _ _ his mother well, but he often argues with his father. | (4 letters) |
| 8 | We can't get _ _ _ _ _ _ the new tax, so we'll just have to pay it. | (6 letters) |
| 9 | Sonia must really _ _ _ around. She seems to know everyone in the city. | (3 letters) |
| 10 | The best way to get _ _ _ _ _ _ Paris is by subway. | (6 letters) |
| 11 | I haven't read the report yet, but I'll get around _ _ it soon. | (2 letters) |
| 12 | I know what you're getting _ _ , but you could have explained your ideas better. | (2 letters) |
| 13 | The thief got _ _ _ _ before the police arrived. | (4 letters) |
| 14 | A few students got away _ _ _ _ cheating in the exam. They were lucky this time. | (4 letters) |
| 15 | Can I borrow the movie after you get it _ _ _ _ from Susan? | (4 letters) |
| 16 | After I fired her, she tried to get back _ _ me by accusing me of assaulting her. | (2 letters) |
| 17 | He thinks it's time they got back _ _ the main topic of the discussion. | (2 letters) |
| 18 | I'll find out how much that would cost and get _ _ _ _ to you on it. | (4 letters) |
| 19 | She earns a small salary and only just gets _ _ on it. | (2 letters) |
| 20 | We'll have to get by _ _ _ _ _ _ _ our heater until it's repaired. It's going to be cold! | (7 letters) |
| 21 | Jill doesn't seem happy. I think she has problems at home and they get her _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 22 | It's time we got down _ _ business and started doing some work. | (2 letters) |
| 23 | You sit in the back seat, and I'll get _ _ the front. | (2 letters) |
| 24 | Do you know what time the Thai Airways flight from Bangkok gets _ _ ? | (2 letters) |
| 25 | When she was a student Jenny got _ _ _ _ tennis, and she still likes playing today. | (4 letters) |
| 26 | We can't get _ _ _ the bus until it stops and the doors open. | (3 letters) |
| 27 | Get _ _ _ the lawn, please. You'll leave boot marks on it. | (3 letters) |
| 28 | Please _ _ _ the car off the lawn. It'll leave tyre marks on it. | (3 letters) |
| 29 | It's taking Sandy a long time to get _ _ _ _ breaking up with her girlfriend. | (4 letters) |
| 30 | I got out of the car and got _ _ the bus. | (2 letters) |
| 31 | How much time will you get _ _ _ from work for your vacation? | (3 letters) |
| 32 | Jim doesn't get on _ _ _ _ his father very well. They often argue. | (4 letters) |
| 33 | It's raining outside. You'd better get your raincoat _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 34 | Let's get on _ _ _ _ the job of finding new distributors for our products. | (4 letters) |
| 35 | Benito's parents were very proud of him when he got _ _ _ _ the Board of Directors. | (4 letters) |
| 36 | I tried to get out _ _ the car but I couldn't open the door. | (2 letters) |
| 37 | Timmy tries to get _ _ _ of going to school by saying he's sick. Why does he do that? | (3 letters) |
| 38 | Colds usually only last a few days, but it's taking Rob a long time to get _ _ _ _ his. | (4 letters) |
| 39 | I couldn't get _ _ _ _ the fact that I got the job. It was hard to believe. | (4 letters) |
| 40 | It'll take him hours to get _ _ _ _ _ _ _ all those reports. | (7 letters) |
| 41 | She can't get through _ _ her husband. He must have turned off his phone. | (2 letters) |
| 42 | We try to get _ _ _ _ _ _ _ to our staff the importance of double-checking their emails. | (7 letters) |
| 43 | It really got _ _ Mike when he saw innocent young soldiers getting killed in the war. | (2 letters) |
| 44 | What time do you usually get _ _ in the morning? | (2 letters) |
| 45 | All the students _ _ _ up when their teacher came into the room. | (3 letters) |
| 46 | We got up _ _ all sorts of naughty mischief when we were kids, like stealing sweets. | (2 letters) |
| 47 | Bill Gates _ _ _ _ _ away a lot of his money to help people in need. | (5 letters) |
| 48 | He tried to hide his fear, but his nervous smile and darting eyes gave him _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 49 | Has he given _ _ _ _ the books he borrowed from you yet? | (4 letters) |
| 50 | Keep on trying and never give _ _ . You can do it! | (2 letters) |
| 51 | Give your test papers _ _ at the door as you leave. | (2 letters) |
| 52 | That fruit gives _ _ _ a strange smell. Can you smell it? | (3 letters) |
| 53 | Could you give these papers _ _ _ to the students, please? | (3 letters) |
| 54 | What will we do when the supply of oil _ _ _ _ _ out and there's none left? | (5 letters) |
| 55 | I'm trying to give _ _ cigarettes, but it's very difficult. | (2 letters) |
| 56 | The thief raised his hands and gave up _ _ the police. | (2 letters) |
| 57 | Keep on trying to learn these phrasal verbs and don't _ _ _ _ up. I know you can do it! | (4 letters) |
| 58 | How do you think we should go _ _ _ _ _ increasing sales? Should we advertise more? | (5 letters) |
| 59 | Kids are taught to follow laws and rules and never go _ _ _ _ _ _ _ them. | (7 letters) |
| 60 | You go _ _ _ _ _ and I'll catch up with you in a minute. | (5 letters) |
| 61 | Do you go _ _ _ _ _ with Sue's ideas on marketing? | (5 letters) |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'g'...**

62 We have to solve this problem. It isn't going to go _ _ _ _ by itself. (4 letters)
63 She usually _ _ _ _ back to her home town to see her parents every New Year. (4 letters)
64 He promises to do things, but you can't trust him. He often goes back _ _ his word. (2 letters)
65 I was really sick for the first few days, but as time went _ _ I began to feel better. (2 letters)
66 Prices usually increase. They don't often go _ _ _ _ . (4 letters)
67 The new designs didn't go down so well _ _ _ _ the customers and sales weren't so good. (4 letters)
68 Our team is in the final match in the Olympics and we're going _ _ _ the gold medal. (3 letters)
69 I want Liverpool to win but my friend is _ _ _ _ _ for Chelsea. (5 letters)
70 I didn't go _ _ _ sports that much at school. I preferred playing music and chess. (3 letters)
71 Do you really want _ _ go into that issue now? Can't we talk about it later? (2 letters)
72 Don't go near the bomb. It could go _ _ _ . (3 letters)
73 His alarm clock _ _ _ _ off at 6 o'clock every morning, and he hates it. (4 letters)
74 Norma keeps a torch beside her bed in case the power goes _ _ _ during the night. (3 letters)
75 Sorry I interrupted you. Please go _ _ . (2 letters)
76 What are they doing? I can't see what's _ _ _ _ _ on. (5 letters)
77 Do you feel like staying home tonight or would you rather go _ _ _ ? (3 letters)
78 The forest fire finally went _ _ _ after it started to rain. (3 letters)
79 Make sure you have enough time to go _ _ _ _ your notes before the exam. (4 letters)
80 Her performance _ _ _ _ over really well. Everyone loved it. (4 letters)
81 Can you go _ _ _ _ _ _ _ the invoices and sort them by country, please? (7 letters)
82 Maria has _ _ _ _ through some hard times this year but she's coped well. (4 letters)
83 Despite the problems, we went through _ _ _ _ our plan to take over another company. (4 letters)
84 Do you think that orange and blue go _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ better than orange and purple? (8 letters)
85 The increase in the cost of registering pets went _ _ _ _ badly with animal lovers. (4 letters)
86 His business went _ _ _ _ _ , so he had to get a regular job to make a living. (5 letters)
87 Prices usually go _ _ , but if demand for something falls, its price can go down too. (2 letters)
88 Are you sure the green tie goes _ _ _ _ the blue shirt? (4 letters)
89 When I was young, I could go _ _ _ _ _ _ _ sleep for a night and still work the next day. (7 letters)
90 We used to be close friends, but we have _ _ _ _ _ apart over the years. (5 letters)
91 I didn't like jazz when I first listened to it, but it's grown _ _ me and I like it a lot now. (2 letters)
92 Zan was born in China, but she grew _ _ in New Zealand. (2 letters)
93 How can we guard _ _ _ _ _ _ _ food companies selling unhealthy junk to our kids? (7 letters)

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| **hand back** | Their teacher **handed** the test papers **back** to the students after she had graded them. | hand back sth<br>hand sth back |
| If a businessman gives you his name card, don't hand it back. Keep it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give back** |

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| **hand down** | Their family furniture-making business has been **handed down** from one generation to the next for at least two hundred years. | hand down sth<br>hand sth down |
| Their grandfather handed his skills down to younger members of the family. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pass on** |

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| **hand in** | Please **hand in** your exam papers before you leave the examination room. | hand in sth<br>hand sth in |
| Bill said he's quitting and he's already handed his notice in. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give in, turn in** |

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| **hand on** | He had a quick look at the photos and then **handed** them **on** to the next person. | hand on sth<br>hand sth on |
| Do you think we should hand this information on to the police? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pass on** |

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| **hand out** | Could you **hand out** one test paper to each student in the exam room, please? | hand out sth<br>hand sth out |
| Sue will take the guests' coats as they arrive and Ben will hand out drinks. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give out, pass out** |

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| **hand over** | The thief had to **hand over** the money he'd stolen after he was caught by the police. | hand over sth<br>hand sth over |
| The court ordered the bankrupt company to hand over all its assets. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give up** |

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| **hang around** (inf) | Airports should have entertainment facilities available for passengers who have to **hang around** waiting for delayed or connecting flights. | hang around |
| I visited my doctor and had to hang around for ages before seeing him. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **sit around, wait around** |

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| **hang on** | The sea is getting rough so this is going to be a rocky boat ride. We'd better **hang on** tight. | hang on<br>hang on to sth |
| The bus stops suddenly, so hang on to something or you might fall over. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hold on** |

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| **hang out** (informal) | Teenagers used to **hang out** in pool halls on weekends. The boys would play pool while the girls watched them and flirted with them. | hang out<br>hang out with sb |
| Joe's worried about his son. He's hanging out with street gangs. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **knock around** |

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| **hang up** | You can give your coat to one of the waiters and he'll **hang** it **up** for you. | hang sth up<br>hang up sth |
| Our boys don't hang up their clothes. They just drop them on the floor. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **happen to** | Dan doesn't work at the bank in Smith St. anymore. What **happened to** him? Was he transferred to another branch? | happen to sb/sth |
| Did you hear about what happened to Dum Sim Co.? They went bankrupt! | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **become of** |

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| **have on / have got on** | I can't go tonight. I'**ve got** something **on**, but I don't **have** anything **on** tomorrow night if you're free. | have sth on<br>have got sth on |
| He'll check his schedule and see what he's got on next week. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **have on / have got on** | I hope you'**ve got** your warm socks **on**. It'll get really cold later on this evening. | have sth on<br>have got sth on |
| It's a state dinner, so everyone will have their formal attire on. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put on** |

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| **have over** | We're **having** some friends **over** to our new house for a barbecue on Saturday afternoon. | have sb over |
| The boss is having some people over for a dinner party tonight. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **ask over /around invite over / around** |

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| **head back** | We should **head back** to the office before the traffic gets too bad. | head back |
| Could you call Elisa and ask her to head back home right away? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go back, come back** |

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| **head for** | We were **heading for** the beach when it started to rain, so we went to see a movie instead. | head for sth<br>(be) heading for sth |
| Until the new CEO saved the company, it was heading for bankruptcy. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **head off** (inf) | We'll have to **head off** early if we want to be there in time for lunch. | head off |
| What time do you think we should head off for the airport? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **set off, set out** |

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| **hear about** | This is a great restaurant, but not many people seem to know about it. How did you **hear about** it? | hear about sth<br>hear sth about sth |
| Have you heard anything about the new company our boss is setting up? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **find out (about)** |

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| **hear from** | I never **hear from** Robert these days. Do you know how he is? | hear from sb |
| If you haven't heard back from them by Friday, call them again. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **heard of** | Joe says his cousin is a famous artist, but I've never **heard of** him. I guess he's only famous in the art world. | heard of sb/sth |
| Have you ever heard of a company called Elixer Life Co. Ltd.? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hear about** |

| **heat up** | There's some food on the stove. All you have to do is **heat** it **up** and eat it. | heat sth up<br>heat up sth |
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| There's a big market for pre-cooked meals that just need heating up. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **warm up** |

| **help out** | Would you like to **help out** by addressing the envelopes for the wedding invitations? | help out<br>help out sb<br>help sb out |
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| We need someone to help Juan out with the accounts. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **hide away** | Famous people get sick of media attention and often try to **hide away** in places where no-one can find them. | hide away<br>hide sth away |
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| The bank robbers hid the money away so that no-one would ever find it. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **hit back** | Our competitors had more sales than us last month, but we're going to **hit back** next month with a new advertising campaign. | hit back<br>hit back at sb/sth<br>hit sb back |
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| Our team was losing early on, but we hit back in the second half and won. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **fight back** |

| **hit on / upon** | We were talking about ways to boost brand awareness when Sayoko **hit on** the idea of sponsoring a football team. | hit on sth<br>hit upon sth |
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| Whoever hit upon the idea of rebranding our products is a genius. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come up with, think up** |

| **hold back** | Ben told Karen she'd lost her job, and she couldn't **hold back** the tears. She tried to hide it, but Ben could see she was crying. | hold back sth/sb<br>hold sth/sb back |
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| Leila thinks this job is holding back her career, so she's going to quit. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **keep back** |

| **hold down** | Could you **hold** the dog **down** while I give him some medicine? | hold sth down<br>hold down sth |
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| The government wants to hold down inflation as they're facing elections. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **keep down** |

| **hold off** | We should **hold off** the advertising campaign until next month, as consumer spending will be down this month. | hold off sth<br>hold sth off<br>hold off doing sth |
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| Yahoo held off their expansion plans, delaying them for a year or so. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **put back, put off** |

| **hold on** | **Hold on** for a moment and I'll put you through to Mr Madison as soon as he's free. | hold on |
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| We can't hold on much longer. If we don't get the deal soon, we'll give up. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **hang on** |

| **hold on** | **Hold on** to something if you're standing in a train. If it stops suddenly and you aren't **holding on**, you could fall over and get hurt. | hold on<br>hold on to sth/sb |
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| A leading company needs to work hard to hold on to its market share. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **hang on** |

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| **hold out for** | The striking workers refused the company's offer of a small wage rise. They **held out for** a bigger raise, and eventually they got it. | hold out for sth |
| We held out for a better deal and, after some hard bargaining, we got it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **hold up** | Sorry I'm late. I got **held up** in a traffic jam. | (be/get) held up by sth<br>hold sb/sth up<br>hold up sth/sb |
| What's holding the shipment up? It should have arrived yesterday. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **tie up** |

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| **hold up** | Two armed men **held up** a bank. Police say the pair have been **holding** stores **up** for a while, but this is the first time they've robbed a bank. | hold up sth/sb<br>hold sth/sb up |
| They were charged with holding up several gas stations and liquor stores. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **hook up** | Do you know how to **hook up** the new computers to the printers and fax machines? | hook up sth<br>hook sth up<br>hook sth up to sth |
| How many peripheral devices can you hook your computer up to? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **hunt down** | The U.S. military have been **hunting down** a major terrorist leader, but they seem to have had a lot of trouble finding him. | hunt down sth/sb<br>hunt sth/sb down |
| Sam spends a lot of time hunting down old books on Buddhism. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **track down** |

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| **hurry up** | My wife was taking a long time to get ready, so I told her she'd better **hurry up** or we'd be late. | hurry up |
| Tell Jason to hurry up and finish the brochures. He's taking far too long. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **speed up** |

1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **H h**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'h'...**

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| 1 | If someone gives you his or her name card, don't hand it _ _ _ _ to them. Keep it. | (4 letters) |
| 2 | The family business has been handed _ _ _ _ from generation to generation. | (4 letters) |
| 3 | Please hand _ _ your exam papers before you leave the room. | (2 letters) |
| 4 | Take one chocolate for yourself and then hand the box _ _ to the next person. | (2 letters) |
| 5 | Their teacher handed _ _ _ the test papers and then told the students to start. | (3 letters) |
| 6 | After he was caught by the police, the thief had to hand _ _ _ _ the jewellery. | (4 letters) |
| 7 | Airports are full of people hanging _ _ _ _ _ _ because their flights have been delayed. | (6 letters) |
| 8 | The train stops quickly, so you'd better hang _ _ or you might fall over. | (2 letters) |
| 9 | Kids used to hang _ _ _ in pool rooms and bowling alleys, but now they're all online. | (3 letters) |
| 10 | You can hang your coat _ _ in the cupboard if you like. | (2 letters) |
| 11 | Jason's got a black eye. What happened _ _ him? Was he in a fight? | (2 letters) |
| 12 | It's cold outside tonight. I hope you have some warm clothes _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 13 | We're having some people _ _ _ _ for dinner tonight. | (4 letters) |
| 14 | I can't go tonight. I've _ _ _ something else on. | (3 letters) |
| 15 | We should head _ _ _ _ home before the traffic gets too bad. | (4 letters) |
| 16 | We'll have to head _ _ _ early in the morning if we want to get there by noon. | (3 letters) |
| 17 | You can heat the food _ _ in the microwave oven when you get home. | (2 letters) |
| 18 | I haven't heard _ _ _ _ Bobby for a while. Do you know how he's getting on? | (4 letters) |
| 19 | They say he's a famous writer, but I've never heard _ _ him. Have you? | (2 letters) |
| 20 | Would you like to help _ _ _ by writing some invitations to her birthday party? | (3 letters) |
| 21 | The robbers hid the jewellery _ _ _ _ in a secret place so no-one would find it. | (4 letters) |
| 22 | Our competitors beat us last year, but we're hitting _ _ _ _ with a new marketing plan. | (4 letters) |
| 23 | Kamal hit _ _ the idea of sponsoring competitions and giving our products away as prizes. | (2 letters) |
| 24 | She had to hold _ _ _ _ the tears when she heard she'd lost her job. | (4 letters) |
| 25 | The government is trying to _ _ _ _ the unemployment rate down as much as possible. | (4 letters) |
| 26 | Hold the dog _ _ _ _ while I give her some medicine. | (4 letters) |
| 27 | I'm not sure what room he's staying in, but if you hold _ _ a moment I'll check for you. | (2 letters) |
| 28 | Make sure you hold on _ _ your purse when you're on the bus or someone might steal it. | (2 letters) |
| 29 | The train's stopping, so hold _ _ tight or you might fall over. | (2 letters) |
| 30 | Sorry I'm late. I got held _ _ in a traffic jam. | (2 letters) |
| 31 | Two men armed with pistols held _ _ the bank and stole a large sum of money. | (2 letters) |
| 32 | Do you know how to _ _ _ _ up your new TV to the DVD player and the sound system? | (4 letters) |
| 33 | The army has been hunting _ _ _ _ terrorist leaders for several years now. | (4 letters) |
| 34 | If you don't hurry _ _ and get ready to go, we'll be late. | (2 letters) |

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| **identify with** | Do you have any idea why so many young people **identify with** Harry Potter? | identify with sb |
| Big John Daly is a popular golfer. Many fans identify with him and his 'faults'. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **impact on / upon** | The drought seriously **impacted on** every farmer in the district, and some even had to sell off their land to pay off their debts. | impact on sth/sb<br>impact upon sth/sb |
| We aren't sure exactly how global warming will impact upon our lives yet. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **impose on** | Ruth objects to the way some people try to **impose** their views or beliefs **on** other people, especially when it comes to religious beliefs. | impose sth on sb |
| The government has imposed stricter controls on drug companies. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **improve on / upon** | The coach said his team would have to **improve on** its defensive play in order to win the championship. | improve on sth<br>improve upon sth |
| They suggested the design of our packaging could be improved upon. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **infer from** | If you can **infer** the meaning of a phrasal verb **from** the context in which you find it, you'll remember it much more easily. | infer sth from sth |
| We inferred from what he said about cutting costs that jobs will be lost. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **figure out (from)**, **work out (from)** |

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| **insist on / upon** | We used to ship stock on credit, but after not being paid a few times we now **insist on** payment in advance from most customers. | insist on/upon sth<br>insist on/upon doing sth |
| We insist upon customers insuring any shipments we send on their behalf. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **interest in** | Soon after he walked into the showroom, the salesman said, 'Can I **interest** you **in** one of these fabulous new sports cars, sir?' | interest sb in sth |
| Companies advertise in order to interest people in their products. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **invest in** | More and more people are **investing in** the stock market, and the smarter ones pay experts for advice on how to do so wisely. | invest in sth |
| After inventing this great software, they're looking for people to invest in it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **invite in** | Thanks for the lift home. I'd **invite** you **in** for a drink, but I have to get up early in the morning, and I'm hopeless if I don't get enough sleep. | invite sb in |
| Invite them in, offer them some coffee, and tell them I'll be in to see them soon. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **invite out** | In Asia, businessmen often **invite** their customers **out** to entertainment venues like bars and clubs. | invite sb out<br>(be) invited out |
| Her boss invited her out, but she doesn't want to go. What should she say? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **ask out** |

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| **invite over / around** | I'm **inviting** a few friends **over** for dinner on Saturday night. Would you like to come? | invite sb over<br>invite sb around |
| Who would you like to invite around for lunch on Sunday? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **ask over / around, have over** |

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| **involve in** | When he was a student, Bill **involved** himself **in** many activities, some political, some cultural, some academic and some more personal. | involve sb in sth |
| Even though she tries not to involve herself in disputes, it still happens. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **engage in** |

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| **iron out** | We'll have a meeting next week to **iron out** any final details in the contract, and then we can go ahead and sign it. | iron out sth<br>iron sth out |
| Are there any other points that need ironing out, or is everything OK? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clear up, sort out, straighten out** |

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| **itch for** | I'm **itching for** a game of golf. I haven't played all week and I really feel like getting out on the course and hitting a ball. | (be) itching for sth |
| Our new designer is itching for the chance to show us what she can do. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **dying for, yearn for** (formal) |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions I i

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'i'...**

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| 1 | Can you remember any famous people you identified _ _ _ _ when you were young? | (4 letters) |
| 2 | Global warming will impact _ _ different parts of the world in different ways. | (2 letters) |
| 3 | Terrorist attacks made airlines impose strict limits _ _ what people could carry on board. | (2 letters) |
| 4 | His boss said he'd have to improve _ _ his performance if he wanted to be promoted. | (2 letters) |
| 5 | Was he able to infer the meaning of the phrasal verb _ _ _ _ its context in the sentence? | (4 letters) |
| 6 | They insist _ _ including a minimum order clause in the distribution contract. | (2 letters) |
| 7 | We've _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ upon being paid in advance since we lost money by selling on credit. | (8 letters) |
| 8 | We interested an investor _ _ our idea and got money to start up a company. | (2 letters) |
| 9 | I've got to get up early, so would you mind if I didn't invite you _ _ for a drink? | (2 letters) |
| 10 | Let's invite Jill and her family _ _ _ _ for a barbecue on Saturday afternoon. | (4 letters) |
| 11 | My son has got himself involved _ _ a conflict with his neighbours over their noisy dogs. | (2 letters) |
| 12 | We'll meet the customer to iron _ _ _ any problems with their contract. | (3 letters) |
| 13 | The substitute players are itching _ _ _ a chance to get on the field to show their skills. | (3 letters) |
| 14 | Lots of people hope to make money by investing _ _ the stock market. | (2 letters) |

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| **jack up** (informal) | The price of beer will go up if the government **jacks up** taxes on alcoholic beverages. | jack up sth<br>jack sth up |
| Our paper supplier has jacked his prices up again. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put up** |

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| **jazz up** (informal) | Let's **jazz up** the office. We could paint the walls a bright colour and put up some nice pictures. | jazz up sth<br>jazz sth up |
| It's about time we jazzed our company logo up. It's a bit too old-fashioned. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **brighten up, liven up** |

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| **join in** | My students love to have discussions in class. Even the shy ones **join in** after a while and tell us their opinions. | join in<br>join in sth |
| In our staff meetings, we want everyone to join in and share their ideas. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jump in, weigh in** |

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| **join up** | The young man wants to **join up** and fight, but his mum doesn't want him be a soldier and risk his life in a war she doesn't support. | join up |
| Many young people have been persuaded to join up and fight in the war. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **jot down** | Can I borrow your pen please? I just need to **jot down** his address before I forget it. | jot down sth<br>jot sth down |
| You should jot down your ideas to make sure you don't forget them. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **note down** |

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| **jumble up** | The cleaning woman **jumbled up** all the papers on my desk, and now I'll have to sort them all out. | jumble up sth<br>jumble sth up |
| If you don't write out your schedule, you might jumble up your dates. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **mix up** |

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| **jump at** | I'd **jump at** the chance of working overseas. It'd be a great experience. | jump at sth |
| Helen jumped at the chance to get some experience in sales. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **leap at** |

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| **jump in** | If you want to say something during the meeting, just **jump in**. You don't have to raise your hand. | jump in |
| Everyone jumped in and helped out when we were having problems. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **join in** |

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| **jut out** | The front of his car got hit because it was **jutting out** into a busy traffic lane. | jut out |
| Some young fashion models are so thin that their bones jut out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stick out** |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'j'...**

1 The price of imported cars went up after the government _ _ _ _ _ _ up import taxes. (6 letters)
2 The office looks a bit dull. Why don't we jazz it _ _ with some wallpaper and pictures? (2 letters)
3 In our classes, I want everyone to join _ _ the discussions and practise their English. (2 letters)
4 His mother doesn't want him to join _ _ and become a soldier and fight in the war. (2 letters)
5 Why don't you jot your ideas _ _ _ _ as soon as you have them so you don't forget them? (4 letters)
6 The technician jumbled _ _ the files on my computer, so I'll have to sort them out again. (2 letters)
7 Carmen would jump _ _ the chance to work overseas to get more experience. (2 letters)
8 When the fire started, people passing by in the street jumped _ _ to help us put it out. (2 letters)
9 The front of his car got hit because it was jutting _ _ _ into the passing traffic. (3 letters)

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| **keel over** (informal) | During the game, one of the players **keeled over** and fell to the ground. His team-mates ran over to see what was wrong with him. | keel over |
| He was giving a speech when he suddenly keeled over and fell to the floor. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **fall over** |

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| **keep at** | You've lost some weight already. The new diet must be working, so you really should **keep at** it. | keep at sth |
| Tell Yoko not to give up learning English, but to keep at it. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **stick at** (inf), **stick to** |

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| **keep away** | **Keep** the dogs **away** until I get the kids into the house. They get scared when they see animals they don't know. | keep sth/sb away<br>keep sth/sb away from sth/sb |
| If you bring kids to the office, keep them away from the computers. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **keep away from** | We tell our kids to **keep away from** dogs they don't know. Even if a dog looks cute and friendly, it could be dangerous. | keep away from sth/sb |
| If you're trying to lose weight, keep away from sweets and ice-cream. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **stay away (from)** |

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| **keep back** | He says this job is **keeping** him **back**. He thinks he'd be better off working in a bigger company with more opportunities for advancement. | keep sb back |
| He has a lot of potential, but his lack of confidence is keeping him back. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **hold back** |

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| **keep down** | The government wants to **keep** food and fuel prices **down** until after the up-coming election. | keep sth down<br>keep down sth |
| We have to keep our prices down to compete with cheap imports. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **hold down** |

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| **keep from** | Let me know if you're too busy to talk just now. I don't want to **keep** you **from** your work. | keep sb/sth from sth<br>keep sb/sth from doing sth |
| The government is trying to keep the economy from going into recession. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **keep in** | When we misbehaved in class, our teacher would punish us by **keeping** us **in** after school. It was called 'getting a detention'. | keep sb in |
| My grandma said her teachers didn't keep bad kids in. They hit them. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **keep off** | The sign says we have to **keep off** the grass, so they want us to walk along this path and not go off it. | keep off sth |
| If you want to lose weight, keep off desserts and fattening foods. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **keep on** | Don't stop now. **Keep on** studying until you've figured out what all the phrasal verbs starting with 'k' mean. | keep on doing sth |
| We have to keep on cutting costs until we're making a profit again. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **carry on, go on** |

| Phrasal verb | Example | Forms |
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| **keep out** | We didn't go into the old building because the sign said, '**Keep out**'. | keep out<br>keep sb/sth out |
| If I'm in a private meeting, keep people out until it's finished. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **keep out of** | You should **keep out of** the sun until you put on some sunscreen, or you might get a painful sunburn. | keep out of sth |
| If other people are having a dispute, it's usually best to keep out of it. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **keep to** | We have to **keep to** our budget. If we spend too much money, we'll get into financial trouble. | keep to sth |
| If everyone keeps to their schedule, everything should happen on time. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stick to** |
| **keep under** | I can't show anyone the new design yet. We're **keeping** it **under** wraps until the new advertising campaign starts. | keep sth under sth |
| If you're going to bring your dog, you'll have to keep it under control. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **keep up** | We're very happy with what you've been doing, so **keep up** the good work and you might get a promotion. | keep up sth<br>keep sth up |
| I work hard and make lots of money. If I keep it up, I'll soon be rich. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stick at** (inf), **stick to** |
| **keep up** | A lot of learners have trouble **keeping up** with conversations because they haven't been taught idioms, collocations and phrasal verbs. | keep up<br>keep up with sb/sth |
| If you're not keeping up, ask whoever's speaking to slow down a little. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **keep up** | Hamilton won the race. He drove very fast and nobody else could **keep up** with him. | keep up<br>keep up with sb/sth |
| If we don't keep up with the latest design trends, we'll go out of business. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **key in** | If you want to open the door, **key in** your security code. | key in sth<br>key sth in |
| He can use the *K-Base* program, but he's very slow at keying data in. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put in** |
| **kick around** (informal) | We should have a brainstorming session and **kick around** a few of our latest ideas. | kick around sth<br>kick sth around |
| After kicking around the thoughts we'd had, it was clear which was the best. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **toss around** |
| **kick back** (informal) | After a hard day's work, he likes to **kick back** and relax by watching TV or listening to music. | kick back |
| It's important to know how to kick back, relax, and forget about work. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **chill out** (inf) |

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| **kick off** (informal) | The game **kicks off** at 2 o'clock, and it should be over by around 4 o'clock. | kick off<br>kick sth off<br>kick off sth |
| They'll kick the seminar off with an opening ceremony at 9 a.m. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **start off** |

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| **kick out** (informal) | Robert was **kicked out** of the dance club for being drunk and starting fights. | (be) kicked out of sth<br>kick sb out |
| If he causes any more trouble, they'll kick him out of school for good. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **kid around** | His friends thought he was **kidding around** when he made choking sounds, but when his face turned red they knew he was really choking. | kid around<br>kid around with sb |
| The boss came in and told everyone to stop kidding around and start working. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clown around, mess around** |

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| **kill off** | European settlers **killed off** an Australian animal they called the 'Tasmanian tiger'. The last one died in 1936. | kill off sth<br>kill sth off |
| We've already killed many species off. How many more will be lost? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **wipe out** |

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| **kneel down** | Even though it hurt the old man's knees, he **knelt down** on the floor in front of the Dalai Lama to show his respect. | kneel down |
| I had to kneel down next to him to give him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **knock about / around** (inf) | Sam and I used to **knock about** together when we were kids. We'd hang around the beach or play pool or do whatever else we felt like doing. | knock about/around<br>knock about/around with sb |
| My son's knocking around with some older boys, and I worry about it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hang out** |

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| **knock back** (informal) | After the coach's contract expired, he **knocked back** his team's offer to extend it. After thanking them, he quit and moved to a new club. | knock back sth/sb<br>knock sth/sb back |
| Another company offered her a bigger salary, but she knocked them back. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn down** |

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| **knock down** | Now that our products are made in China we don't use our factory, so we're **knocking** it **down** and building some new offices instead. | knock down sth<br>knock sth down |
| After the fire damaged it, the old theatre was knocked down. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pull down, tear down** |

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| **knock off** (informal) | Most people in our office start work at 9 a.m. and **knock off** at 5 p.m., with an hour off for lunch. | knock off |
| Some of our staff want to start work earlier and knock off earlier. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **knock out** | The champion was **knocked out** in the sixth round. He soon came to, but the referee stopped the fight, saying it'd be too risky to go on. | (be) knocked out<br>knock out sb<br>knock sb out |
| He slipped over in the bathroom and knocked himself out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **knock out** (informal) | I've just heard Justin's new album and it really **knocked** me **out**. It's got some of the best songs he's ever come up with. | knock out sb<br>knock sb out |
| Her latest ideas knocked out the marketing team. They're brilliant. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bowl over** |

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| **knock together** | Our design team is going to **knock together** a rough prototype so we can get some idea of how the real thing will look. | knock together sth<br>knock sth together |
| Let's knock a basic proposal together and see what our client thinks. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put together** |

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| **known as** | Reginald Dwight decided his name wasn't suitable for a pop star, so he made up a professional name and now he's **known as** Sir Elton John. | (be) known as sth |
| Burma is now officially known as The Union of Myanmar. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **known for** | Captain Beefheart was originally **known for** his amazing music, and now he's becoming **known** in the art world **for** his paintings. | (be) known for sth |
| This company is known for high-quality products and excellent service. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **know of** | Does anyone **know of** a good hairdresser around here? I really need a haircut. | know of sth/sb |
| I asked Rob if there was a bank nearby, and he said, 'Not that I know of.' | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **knuckle down** | You'll have to really **knuckle down** and study hard if you want to get into one of the top universities. | knuckle down<br>knuckle down to sth |
| If they knuckle down to work straight away, they might make the deadline. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get down to** |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **K k**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'k'...**

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| 1 | Our professor was giving a lecture when she keeled _ _ _ _ and fell to the floor. | (4 letters) |
| 2 | She's been studying hard and if she keeps _ _ it, her English will improve quickly. | (2 letters) |
| 3 | Do farmers still use scarecrows to keep birds _ _ _ _ from their crops? | (4 letters) |
| 4 | He put on weight because he couldn't keep away _ _ _ _ sweets and ice-cream. | (4 letters) |
| 5 | Bill dropped out of university, but he didn't let the lack of a degree keep him _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 6 | We must keep our production costs _ _ _ _ if we're going to compete with cheap imports. | (4 letters) |
| 7 | Let me know if you're busy. I wouldn't want to keep you _ _ _ _ your work. | (4 letters) |
| 8 | How did people keep food _ _ _ _ going off and spoiling before they had refrigerators? | (4 letters) |
| 9 | If we misbehaved, our teachers used to punish us by keeping us _ _ after school. | (2 letters) |
| 10 | If you don't want to put on weight, keep _ _ _ sweets and fatty foods. | (3 letters) |
| 11 | If we keep _ _ working hard, our company will make profits and our jobs will be safe. | (2 letters) |
| 12 | Despite the 'Keep _ _ _ ' sign, homeless people still use the old building for shelter. | (3 letters) |
| 13 | The government tried to keep the story _ _ _ of the newspapers, but they couldn't. | (3 letters) |
| 14 | Keep out _ _ the sun until you get some sunscreen, or you might get burnt. | (2 letters) |
| 15 | If everyone had _ _ _ _ to their schedules, the seminar would have finished on time. | (4 letters) |
| 16 | Don't you think we should keep _ _ the plan? Wouldn't it be risky to change it now? | (2 letters) |
| 17 | Rashid needs to learn how to keep his emotions _ _ _ _ _ control. | (5 letters) |
| 18 | What you're doing is excellent, so keep _ _ the good work. | (2 letters) |
| 19 | John ran so fast that nobody could keep up _ _ _ _ him and he won the race easily. | (4 letters) |
| 20 | If you don't know English idioms, you'll have trouble keeping _ _ in a conversation. | (2 letters) |
| 21 | If you want to open the door, key _ _ your security code. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | Let's have a brainstorming session and kick _ _ _ _ _ _ a few ideas. | (6 letters) |
| 23 | After work, Jeff likes to kick _ _ _ _ and relax by listening to music or watching TV. | (4 letters) |
| 24 | The party will kick _ _ _ at 9 p.m., so get there on time or you'll miss out on the food. | (3 letters) |
| 25 | Carlo was kicked _ _ _ of the dance club for starting a fight. | (3 letters) |
| 26 | Let's knock _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ a rough prototype and see what our client thinks. | (8 letters) |
| 27 | Don't you think we should stop kidding _ _ _ _ _ _ and be serious for a while? | (6 letters) |
| 28 | Monique kneeled _ _ _ _ next to her friend and rubbed sunscreen into her back. | (4 letters) |
| 29 | We used to knock _ _ _ _ _ _ together and have lots of fun when we were kids. | (6 letters) |
| 30 | The company offered David a new employment package, but he knocked it _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 31 | Everyone was shocked when the champ was knocked _ _ _ in the first round of the fight. | (3 letters) |
| 32 | Are you sure they're going to knock _ _ _ _ our old cinema and build apartments there? | (4 letters) |
| 33 | What time do you knock _ _ _ from work and go home each day? | (3 letters) |
| 34 | The new Harry Potter movie really knocked me _ _ _ when I saw it. It's great. | (3 letters) |
| 35 | His real name is Richard, but everyone knows him _ _ Ricky. | (2 letters) |
| 36 | Sony Corp is known _ _ _ its innovative, high-quality products. | (3 letters) |
| 37 | Does anyone know _ _ a good tailor near here? I need to have a couple of new suits made. | (2 letters) |
| 38 | We'll have to knuckle _ _ _ _ and work hard if we're going to finish the job on time. | (4 letters) |

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| **lap up** | At first, movie stars **lap up** all the media attention, but after a while the attention can get too much for them and they want more privacy. | lap up sth<br>lap sth up |
| Readers and critics really like her books, and she's lapping all the praise up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **lash out** | George **lashed out** at some reporters, yelling and pointing his finger at them, saying the media was to blame for his unpopularity. | lash out<br>lash out at sb/sth |
| I said her design was dull, and she lashed out angrily and said I was ignorant. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **latch onto** | Judy **latched onto** Henry at the party and followed him wherever he went. He couldn't get rid of her! | latch onto sb/sth |
| Bob has latched onto this new management theory and always follows it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **laugh off** | It was another bad mistake and Marcel's trying to **laugh** it **off**, but he might be in serious trouble with his boss this time. | laugh sth off<br>laugh off sth |
| We all make mistakes, and sometimes all we can do is laugh them off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **play down** |

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| **launch into** | Pierre **launched into** another long, boring speech on what's wrong with the world, but we had to sit through it because he's our manager. | launch into sth |
| The president launched into another attack on his political opponents. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **embark on** |

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| **lay aside** | Hector lost his job when he was 63, but luckily he'd **laid** enough money **aside** to support himself until he started getting his pension at 65. | lay sth aside<br>lay aside sth |
| It's important to lay aside some money in case you need it in the future. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put aside, put away, set aside** |

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| **lay down** | Our boss is sick of staff coming in late. He's **laid down** new rules and from now on anyone who gets to work late will have to pay a fine. | lay down sth<br>lay sth down |
| Let's lay some guidelines down on how our staff should relate to clients. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **set down** |

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| **lay down** | Union bosses encouraged the workers to **lay down** their tools and go on strike for higher wages and better working conditions. | lay down sth<br>lay sth down |
| The rebel fighters agreed to lay down their arms and stop fighting. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put down** |

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| **lay into** (informal) | Jane got angry when she saw the mistakes in the design and **laid into** her technical team. | lay into sb/sth |
| The coach laid into his players after they lost. We could hear him shouting. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **tell off** |

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| **lay off** | The company isn't doing so well and they'll have to **lay off** some workers in order to cut their running costs. | lay off sb<br>lay sb off |
| If they don't do better next quarter, they'll have to lay some staff off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **lay out** | It's best to **lay** the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle **out** so you can see them all before trying to fit them together. | lay sth out<br>lay out sth |
| The owner has laid out his plans for developing the company. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **set out** |

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| **laze around** | My idea of a holiday is **lazing around** with a good book, but my wife likes to climb mountains and go kayaking. What should we do? | laze around |
| My son would laze around in front of the TV all day if we let him. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **chill out** (inf), **sit around** |

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| **lead off** | Juanita will **lead off** the meeting with her survey results, and then we can all discuss them. | lead off sth<br>lead sth off |
| He led the discussion off by telling us about his latest marketing ideas. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **start off** |

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| **lead to** | Taking illegal drugs is very dangerous as it can **lead to** serious trouble with the law and can badly damage your physical and mental health. | lead to sth |
| The latest products will lead to even greater success in the future. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **result in** |

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| **lead up to** | We'll all have to put in some overtime in the days **leading up to** next month's seminar. | lead up to sth |
| The weeks leading up to my final exams weren't easy to get through. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **lean on** | When you're having a difficult time, you need friends to **lean on**. You can talk to them and they'll try to make you feel better. | lean on sb |
| I used to lean on others when I was stressed, but I deal with it myself now. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **rely on** |

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| **leap at** | When Maria was offered a job overseas, she **leapt at** the opportunity and accepted the job immediately. | leap at sth |
| My son loves sports cars, so he leapt at the chance to drive a Porsche. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **jump at** |

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| **leave behind** | When I got to the airport I realised I'd **left** my passport **behind**, so I called home and my son brought it to the airport for me. | leave sth/sb behind<br>(be) left behind |
| The teacher counted the kids on the bus to be sure no-one was left behind. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **leave in** | Don't edit any comments out of the recording of the meeting. Make sure you **leave** everything **in**. | leave in sth<br>leave sth in |
| One of the love scenes in the movie was cut out, but the others were left in. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **leave out** | Copy all the details and make sure you don't **leave** anything **out**. | leave sth/sb out<br>leave out sth/sb |
| David was left out of the team because he was injured. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **left over** | She never throws food away. If there's anything **left over**, she wraps it up and puts it in the fridge. | (be) left over |
| If there's any money left over, put it aside for our next trip. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **leave to** | You cooked the meal, so **leave** cleaning up the kitchen **to** me. | leave sth to sb |
| It's time you took more responsibility, so we'll leave this decision to you. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **leave up to** |

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| **leave up to** | We can all make suggestions about the advertising campaign, but the final decisions are **left up to** the head of marketing. | leave sth up to sb |
| Harry is our internet expert so we'll leave the website design up to him. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **leave to** |

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| **let down** | Jason felt terrible after he failed his exam. He said he'd **let down** his family, his teachers and all the friends who'd helped him study. | let sb down<br>let down sb |
| Jenny is very reliable. She always works well and she's never let us down. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **let in / into** | Nicola's waiting at the door. Could someone **let** her **in**, please? | let sb in<br>let sb into sth |
| Don't let anyone into my office while I'm not here. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **let in on** | Don't **let** anyone **in on** the secret. Keep it to yourself. | let sb in on sth |
| Make sure no-one lets any other companies in on the results of our survey. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **let off** | The corrupt politician should have been sent to jail, but the judge **let** him **off** with a warning. | let sb off |
| I'll let you off this time, but if you're late again I'll have to fire you. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **let off** | On New Year's Eve, many people celebrate by **letting off** fireworks. It can be very noisy. | let off sth<br>let sth off |
| Someone let a bomb off in the market, and many people were killed. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **set off** |

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| **let out** | 'Don't **let** the cat **out** of the bag' doesn't refer to cats or not releasing them. It's an idiom that means 'Don't tell the secret to anyone.' | let sth/sb out<br>let sth/sb out of sth<br>let out sth/sb |
| They won't let out the factory workers until they've been searched. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **let up** | Let's wait here in the cafe until the rain **lets up**. Then we can go on to the park for a walk. | let up |
| The pressure at work won't let up until we've completed this contract. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **lie down** | The doctor told him to take off his shoes and **lie down** on the couch. | lie down<br>lie down on sth |
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| We need somewhere for our staff to lie down and relax when they need to. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **lift up** | Can you help me with the fridge? I have to put it in the back of the truck, but it's too heavy for me to **lift up** by myself. | lift up<br>lift up sth<br>lift sth up |
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| As I lifted up the rock, a huge spider ran up my arm and inside my shirt. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pick up** |

| **light up** | They let the fireworks off and they **lit up** the night sky. | light up<br>light up sth<br>light sth up |
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| Staff who smoke can't light up in the office, so they use the balcony. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **lighten up** | She's so serious all the time. I wish she'd **lighten up** and take it easy sometimes. | lighten up<br>lighten sth up |
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| Our boss knows how to lighten things up when we're all getting stressed. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **line up** | People **line up** at the post office to have their parcels weighed and to buy their stamps. | line up |
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| People used to line up, but now they take a number and sit and wait. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **queue up** |

| **listen in** | The receptionist at Maria's company used to **listen in** on everyone's private phone calls. | listen in<br>listen in on sth |
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| Do you think the police should be able to listen in on our phone calls? | ✍ | 📖 |

| **live down** | Mike will never **live down** the fact that he forgot his boss's name when he was introducing him for a speech. People still laugh about it. | live down sth<br>live sth down |
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| Bill came to work drunk and we still joke about it. He'll never live it down. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **live off** | Many people dream of retiring early and **living off** their investments. | live off sth |
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| My wife and I plan to retire when we're 60 and live off our savings. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **live on** |

| **live on** | Many people in Australia work until they're 65, and then retire and **live on** a government pension. | live on sth |
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| Workers in poor countries get paid very little. Often, it's just enough to live on. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get by (on)** |

| **live on** | When we were lost, we had to **live on** whatever food we could find in the jungle. | live on sth |
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| If teenagers ate whatever they wanted to, they'd live on pizzas and fries. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **live through** | My grandparents **lived through** some very difficult times, such as the Great Depression and two World Wars. | live through sth |
| Living through difficult times can make you a stronger person. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come through, go through** |

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| **live up to** | He wanted his son to be a top student, but the boy failed to **live up to** his father's expectations. | live up to sth |
| She came with a good reputation and she's lived up to it. Her work's great. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **liven up** | We should **liven up** the party. Why don't you put on some funky dance music? | liven up sth<br>liven sth up |
| Don't you think we could liven the show up? It's seems a bit dull to me. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **brighten up** |

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| **lock away** | If you **lock away** the documents in a safe deposit box at the bank, they'll be safe. | lock away sth<br>lock sth away |
| We advise our guests to lock their valuables away in their room safe. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put away** |

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| **lock in** | I forgot to make sure the cat was outside and ended up **locking** her **in** all day. She was glad to get out of the house when I got home. | lock sb/sth in<br>lock sb/sth in sth |
| On no! I've locked my keys in the house and I don't have another set. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **lock up** | Don't forget to **lock** the office **up** if you're the last to leave. Whoever leaves last always **locks up**. | lock up<br>lock sth up<br>lock up sth |
| I can't believe I left my laptop in the car and then forgot to lock up the car. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **log in / into** | He can't send emails at the moment because he can't **log into** his email account. | log in<br>log into sth |
| Use the new password whenever you log into the company network. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **log on /onto** |

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| **log off** | You should **log off** when you've finished checking the online accounts. | log off |
| Don't forget to log off so the server can keep accurate user records. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **log out** |

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| **log on / onto** | Julie can't **log on** at the moment. Her account's been suspended so she can't **log onto** the server. | log on<br>log onto sth |
| If you have trouble logging on, let Joe know and he'll sort it out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **log in / into** |

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| **log out** | After you've finished, you should **log out** of the database so our security people will know what you're doing. | log out<br>log out of sth |
| After logging out, I disconnected and put the computer to sleep. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **log off** |

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| **long for** | Old Madge **longs for** the days when it was safe in her town and she could walk around without worrying about being robbed. | long for sth/sb |
| He longed for freedom, but knew he'd always put his responsibilities first. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **yearn for** (formal) |

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| **look after** | We need a baby-sitter to **look after** the kids while we're at the party. | look after sb/sth |
| Our kids get good clothes and we expect them to look after them properly. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **care for** |

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| **look around** | Have you **looked around** the new factory yet? It looks great! | look around<br>look around sth |
| Lets take a day off work while we're in Tokyo to go out and look around. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **check out** (inf) |

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| **look at** | After they've established themselves in the local market, they'll **look at** expanding into overseas markets. | look at sth |
| Before coming to a final decision, they'll be looking at all the options. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look into** |

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| **look at** | Simon's a very handsome guy and people are always **looking at** him. If he wanted to, he could be a fashion model. | look at sb/sth |
| Good packaging increases the chances of people looking at a product. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **check out** (inf) |

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| **look back** | When I **look back** on my student days, I can't believe we did so many crazy and dangerous things. | look back<br>look back on sth |
| To market to teenagers, look back and try to recall those 'teen' feelings. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **look down on** | That idiotic woman is a snob. She **looks down on** anyone who was born into a poor family, and really thinks this makes them inferior to her! | look down on sb |
| The trait of looking down on less fortunate people is a sure sign of stupidity. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **talk down to** (another action that shows a 'superior' attitude) |

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| **look for** | I've lost my car keys. Could you help me **look for** them? | look for sb/sth |
| I can't find an important document. I'll have to look for it until I find it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **seek out** (formal) |

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| **look forward to** | I'm really **looking forward to** our holiday in Thailand. We'll have a great time and I can't wait to go. | look forward to sth |
| We're all looking forward to our product launch. It'll be really exciting. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **look in on** | Just a minute. I'm going to **look in on** the kids to make sure they're asleep. | look in on sb/sth |
| The boss looks in on us now and then, just so we know he's around. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **check on** |

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| **look into** | The police are **looking into** the theft of your car and they'll let you know as soon as they find out anything. | look into sth |
| Could you look into the options and costs for shipping goods to Brazil? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **check out** (inf) |

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| **look on / upon** | Many young people **look upon** sports stars as their heroes and role models. | look on sb as sth<br>look upon sb as sth |
| We want our customers to look on our staff as being polite and knowledgeable. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **think of** |

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| **look on** | Many people stood by and **looked on** as a man who'd stepped out of a gay club was beaten up by a gang of thugs. Nobody tried to help him. | look on |
| How did you feel with all those people looking on and no-one helping you? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **look out** | **Look out**! There's a car coming! Get off the road. | look out |
| If she hadn't told me to look out, I would have been run over by the car. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **watch out** |

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| **look out for** | When Hiroko was young, he was always **looking out for** business opportunities. | look out for sth |
| He always looks out for the chance to learn from people with experience. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **look for** |

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| **look over** | You should get a mechanic to **look** the car **over** before you buy it. | look sth over<br>look over sth |
| Let me look over the advertising copy before you send it off. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **check over**, **go over** |

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| **look through** | Could you **look through** last month's invoices and put aside any that haven't been paid yet? | look through sth |
| Let's look through the last quarter's sales figures and see what we can learn. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **check through**, **go through** |

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| **look up** | If you can't figure out what a phrasal verb means, **look** it **up** in a dictionary and try to find the meaning that fits the context. | look sth up<br>look up sth |
| Look up the prices on the current price list before giving anyone a quote. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **look up** | Last month's sales were slow, but things are **looking up** this month. We've had plenty of orders so far. | look up |
| The economy in looking up again after a couple of bad years. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **look up** | Don't forget to **look** me **up** whenever you're in New York. It'd be great to see you. | look sb up<br>look up sb |
| Did you look up our local distributor when you were in New Zealand? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **call on** |

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| **look up to** | Sports stars should remember that young people **look up to** them and see them as role models. This is a great responsibility. | look up to sb |
| We need to know the type of person young people look up to now. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **lose out** | I should have sold the shares when they got to $100, but I didn't so I've **lost out**. They're only worth $40 now. | lose out |
| If we don't update our products, we'll lose out in the race for customers. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **miss out** |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions L 1

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'l'...**

1 Nicole loves being a celebrity and laps _ _ all the attention she gets. (2 letters)
2 Many angry people lashed _ _ _ at the government for not helping the hurricane victims. (3 letters)
3 He latched _ _ _ _ me at the party and followed me everywhere. He wouldn't go away! (4 letters)
4 It was a bad mistake, but he's trying to laugh it _ _ _ as if it wasn't serious. (3 letters)
5 The opposition leader launched _ _ _ _ another attack on the government. (4 letters)
6 Have you laid _ _ _ _ _ some money in case you need it in the future? (5 letters)
7 Our boss is going to lay _ _ _ _ the law and fine anyone who comes to work late. (4 letters)
8 His boss was angry and laid _ _ _ _ Ben for turning up late for the meeting. (4 letters)
9 He said if Ben was late again he'd be forced to lay him _ _ _ and employ someone else. (3 letters)
10 Did you lay the pieces of the jigsaw puzzle _ _ _ before trying to fit them together? (3 letters)
11 My cat just lazes _ _ _ _ _ _ doing nothing all day. It must be nice being a cat. (6 letters)
12 Juanita will lead _ _ _ the discussion with her new ideas on cutting costs. (3 letters)
13 The Academy Award she won for acting should lead _ _ even better roles in the future. (2 letters)
14 We'll have to work hard in the weeks leading _ _ to the trade fair. (2 letters)
15 When you're upset and need support, you can lean _ _ me. That's what friends are for. (2 letters)
16 Can you _ _ _ some guidelines down on how our staff should relate to customers? (3 letters)
17 My son leapt _ _ the chance to attend a football training camp. He was very excited. (2 letters)
18 When I realised that I'd left my umbrella _ _ _ _ _ _ , I went back to my car to get it. (6 letters)
19 Do you want names deleted from the corruption report, or do you want them left _ _ ? (2 letters)
20 Copy all the details and make sure you don't make mistakes or leave anything _ _ _ . (3 letters)
21 All our staff will get a big bonus. Nobody will be _ _ _ _ out. (4 letters)
22 If there's any food left _ _ _ _ , ask the waiter to wrap it up so you can bring it home. (4 letters)
23 Do you want to deal with this matter yourself, or would you rather leave it _ _ me? (2 letters)
24 Our CEO gets lots of advice, but in the end the decision-making is left _ _ to her. (2 letters)
25 Chang will do an excellent job. He won't _ _ _ you down. (3 letters)
26 Jenny is waiting at the door. Could someone let her _ _ ? (2 letters)
27 Don't let anyone in _ _ the secret. Keep it to yourself. (2 letters)
28 Mick was stopped for speeding, and relieved when he was let _ _ _ with a warning only. (3 letters)
29 On New Year's Eve, people like to let _ _ _ fireworks to celebrate. (3 letters)
30 Before sales staff are let _ _ _ of the store after work, security guards check their bags. (3 letters)
31 It's a secret, so don't let the cat out _ _ the bag by telling anyone. (2 letters)
32 The kids will be stuck inside the house until the rain lets _ _ . Then they can go outside. (2 letters)
33 She said she had a headache and went to lie _ _ _ _ on the sofa. (4 letters)
34 He hurt his back while he was lifting _ _ a really heavy metal box. (2 letters)
35 Isaac's always so serious. He should try to lighten _ _ sometimes and have some fun. (2 letters)
36 We let off the fireworks and they _ _ _ up the night sky. (3 letters)
37 The passengers had to line _ _ at the ticket window. (2 letters)
38 Our last receptionist used to listen _ _ on our private phone calls. (2 letters)
39 He'll never live _ _ _ _ the fact that he forgot his CEO's name while giving a speech. (4 letters)
40 Many people want to make lots of money, retire early and then live _ _ _ their savings. (3 letters)
41 Lots of people in Australia retire at 65 and live _ _ the old-age pension. (2 letters)
42 My grandparents lived _ _ _ _ _ _ _ two world wars and the Great Depression. (7 letters)
43 He couldn't live up _ _ his father's expectations, and felt that he was a failure. (2 letters)
44 Why don't we put on some dance music and liven _ _ the party? (2 letters)
45 You should have locked your valuable things _ _ _ _ in the hotel's safe. (4 letters)
46 Don't forget to lock _ _ the office when you leave. (2 letters)
47 He can't log _ _ _ _ his email account, so he can't send emails. (4 letters)
48 You should log _ _ _ after you've finished checking your emails. (3 letters)
49 My grandfather longs _ _ _ the days when he was young and flirted with all the girls. (3 letters)
50 We need to find a baby-sitter to _ _ _ _ after the kids tonight. (4 letters)
51 We looked _ _ _ _ _ _ the new factory this morning, and were happy with what we saw. (6 letters)
52 We'll look _ _ the possibility of expanding into new markets soon. (2 letters)
53 When I look _ _ _ _ on my childhood, I realise how lucky I was. (4 letters)
54 We shouldn't look _ _ _ _ on people just because they're poor or not well educated. (4 letters)
55 I've lost my glasses. Could you help me look _ _ _ them? (3 letters)
56 I'm really looking _ _ _ _ _ _ _ to our trip to Spain next month. It'll be great. (7 letters)
57 The police are looking _ _ _ _ the murder and expect to make an arrest soon. (4 letters)
58 Many young people look _ _ _ _ sports stars as role models. (4 letters)
59 Look _ _ _ ! There's a car coming! Get off the road. (3 letters)
60 Ming is always looking out _ _ _ new business opportunities. (3 letters)
61 Would you like a mechanic to look _ _ _ _ the car before you buy it? (4 letters)

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'l'...**

62 I looked _ _ _ _ _ _ _ his notes for the speech and made a few suggestions. (7 letters)
63 If you don't know what a word means, look it _ _ in a dictionary. (2 letters)
64 Business was slow last year, but things are looking _ _ this year. (2 letters)
65 Many young people look up _ _ sports stars and see them as heroes. (2 letters)
66 The company didn't keep up with the latest trends and lost _ _ _ to their competitors. (3 letters)

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| **mail out** | Every year they **mail** their catalogue **out** to over 100,000 customers. | mail out sth<br>mail sth out |
| Go to the post office and ask how much it'd cost to mail out 1,000 brochures. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **send out** |

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| **major in** | When Tim studied for his BA at university, he **majored in** English literature and his minor was linguistics. | major in sth |
| Why did she decide to major in media studies at university? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **make into** | The first Harry Potter book was very popular. It was **made into** a movie and the movie **made** the actor who played Harry **into** a star. | (be) made into sth<br>make sth/sb into sth |
| Our new CEO plans to make our small company into a big corporation. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn into** |

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| **make of** | Anyone who works hard and makes good decisions should **make** a success **of** a new business. | make sth of sth |
| To be successful, we have to make the most of the opportunities we have. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **make of** | What did you **make of** Ananda's talk on internet marketing? Do you think it was worth listening to? | make of sth/sb<br>make sth of sth/sb |
| Our new accountant's a bit strange. I'm not quite sure what to make of her. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **think of** |

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| **make out** | His handwriting isn't very clear and it's difficult to read. Can you **make** this word **out**? | make sth out<br>make out sth |
| If you can't make out what a customer is saying, ask for help. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **figure out** |

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| **make up** | My daughter is really good at **making up** stories and says she wants to write movie scripts when she grows up. | make up sth<br>make sth up |
| Our son made the whole story up to get out of doing his exam today. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come up with**, **cook up** (inf), **think up** |

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| **make up** | Tom and Kathy often argue, but they always **make up** afterwards by talking things through and apologising to each other. | make up<br>make up with sb |
| Did you make up with Joe after the fight, or are you still mad at each other? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **patch (things) up**, **smooth (things) over** |

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| **make up for** | Cathy couldn't come to work for two days last week, so she wants to **make up for** it by working overtime this week. | make up for sth |
| We'll have to make up for lost production due to the problems with machinery. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **map out** | Before she'd finished high school, Naomi knew what she wanted to do in life and she'd even **mapped out** a career path for herself. | map out sth<br>map sth out |
| Our new manager has mapped out several roads to growth in the future. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **mark down** | The department store's having a big sale and some of the clothes are **marked down** by 50%. | mark down sth<br>mark sth down |
| We need to get rid of this old stock, so mark all of it down by 40%. | | |

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| **mark up** | Department stores usually **mark up** wholesale prices by around 40%. If they buy something for $7.00, they'll sell it for about $10.00. | mark up sth<br>mark sth up |
| How much do retailers usually mark prices up in China and India? | | |

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| **measure up** | If someone's work doesn't **measure up** to the required standard, we'll let them go and find someone else who can do a better job. | measure up<br>measure up to sth |
| Do you really think she measures up, or do you just feel sorry for her? | | *see also:* **come up to** |

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| **meet up** | We usually **meet up** with four or five friends for dinner on Saturday night. | meet up<br>meet up with sb |
| After we all met up in the hotel's lobby, we headed out to a bar for drinks. | | *see also:* **get together** |

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| **meet with** | Her first book **met with** much greater success than she'd ever expected. It was a bestseller in several countries. | meet with sth |
| The president's decision was met with disbelief at first, followed by anger. | | |

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| **mess about / around** | The kids were **messing about** with a new computer game when their father told them to stop wasting time and get on with their homework. | mess about/around<br>mess about/around with sth |
| Kids can learn a lot by messing around with stuff that interests them. | | *see also:* **play around** |

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| **mess up** | Many people say the countries that invaded Iraq to get rid of Saddam Hussein really **messed** things **up** and made life harder for most Iraqis. | mess up sth<br>mess sth up |
| Anne is upset because she thinks she messed up her exam at school today. | | *see also:* **screw up** (inf) |

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| **miss out** | Her friend offered to sell her some shares in his company. She didn't buy any, so she **missed out** when his company made a fortune. | miss out<br>miss out on sth |
| If he'd gone to buy the tickets earlier, he wouldn't have missed out. | | *see also:* **lose out** |

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| **mistake for** | The police **mistook** an innocent man **for** a terrorist they were hunting, and shot him. They said he looked like the terrorist they wanted. | mistake sth/sb for sth/sb |
| Fake Rolex watches look genuine and can easily be mistaken for real Rolexes. | | |

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| **mix up** | The orders were sent to the wrong customers after one of the workers **mixed up** the addresses. | mix up sth/sb<br>mix sth/sb up |
| He keeps mixing Keith up with his twin brother and calling him James. | | *see also:* **jumble up** |

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| **mixed up in** | Dave got **mixed up in** the drugs trade and got caught selling cocaine. He'll be spending the next ten years locked up in prison. | (be/get) mixed up in sth **or** with sb (only used for sth/sb bad) |
| Referees got mixed up with criminals and were paid to fix some matches. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **move in** | After his divorce, my brother will **move in** and stay in our spare bedroom until he sorts things out and finds somewhere to live. | move in<br>move in with sb |
| My daughter's moving in with her new boyfriend. They only met last week! | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **move into** | They'd like to **move into** new areas of business, and they're looking at music publishing and concert promotion. | move into<br>move into sth |
| The new office building they're moving into next month is on Bourke St. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go into** |

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| **move on** | She's been in her job for nearly ten years and she thinks it's time to **move on** and do something new. | move on<br>move on to sth |
| This topic's been covered so let's move on to the next item on the agenda. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go on** |

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| **move out** | My son is thinking of **moving out** of home and getting a room near the university. | move out<br>move out of sth |
| As soon as the new offices are ready, we'll move out of the old ones. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **move over** | When Ken came into the room, we **moved over** to make room for him and he sat down on the sofa next to us. | move over |
| Cars moved over to let the ambulance pass and get to a hospital quickly. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **muddle through** | Our chairman was sick, so I had to chair the meeting myself. I'd never done it before but I **muddled through** somehow and it wasn't too bad. | muddle through<br>muddle through sth |
| I muddled through with the accounts myself until we hired an accountant. | ✍ | 🕮 |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'm'...**

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| 1 | Can you find out how much it'd cost to mail _ _ _ 500 booklets? | (3 letters) |
| 2 | What did you major _ _ when you were at university? | (2 letters) |
| 3 | Stephen King's latest novel is being made _ _ _ _ a movie. | (4 letters) |
| 4 | Justin blames himself for not making the most _ _ the opportunities he had. | (2 letters) |
| 5 | What do you make _ _ our new office manager? Do you think she's any good? | (2 letters) |
| 6 | His handwriting is difficult to read. Can you make _ _ _ this word? | (3 letters) |
| 7 | Jenny and Steve argue a lot, but then they talk things through and make _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 8 | My son is really good at _ _ _ _ _ _ up jokes and funny stories. | (6 letters) |
| 9 | She's working overtime to make up _ _ _ the days she missed when she was sick. | (3 letters) |
| 10 | Our new manager has mapped _ _ _ a path of steady growth for our company. | (3 letters) |
| 11 | How much do you think we should mark the old stock _ _ _ _ for the next sale? | (4 letters) |
| 12 | Big department stores mark everything _ _ by at least thirty per cent. | (2 letters) |
| 13 | He hasn't measured up _ _ our expectations, so I'm afraid we'll have to let him go. | (2 letters) |
| 14 | After we all met _ _ in the coffee shop, we went out for dinner. | (2 letters) |
| 15 | The company's decision to close the factory was met _ _ _ _ anger from the workers. | (4 letters) |
| 16 | The kids aren't studying. They're messing _ _ _ _ _ with computer games instead. | (5 letters) |
| 17 | Sergio is upset because he thinks he messed _ _ his speech today. | (2 letters) |
| 18 | We didn't get tickets in time so we missed _ _ _ on the concert. | (3 letters) |
| 19 | The counterfeit banknotes were good copies and easily mistaken _ _ _ real ones. | (3 letters) |
| 20 | She mixed _ _ the dates and went to see her doctor on the wrong day. | (2 letters) |
| 21 | He got mixed up _ _ the drugs trade and now he's in prison. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | When will you move _ _ _ _ your new apartment? | (4 letters) |
| 23 | I'm worried about my son. He's mixed up _ _ _ _ some guys who're in a motorcycle gang. | (4 letters) |
| 24 | We've covered that topic, so let's move _ _ to the next item on the agenda. | (2 letters) |
| 25 | My son is moving _ _ _ of home and moving into an apartment near his office. | (3 letters) |
| 26 | Tom moved _ _ _ _ so Katie could sit down next to him. | (4 letters) |
| 27 | He'd never done a report before, but he muddled _ _ _ _ _ _ _ and it wasn't too bad. | (7 letters) |

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| **nag at** | After my mother left her house, the fear that she'd left the stove on **nagged at** her until she called and asked me to go over and check. | nag at sb |
| The feeling that she'd left it too late to have children kept nagging at her. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **nail down** | Reporters tried to **nail** the prime minister **down** on the timing of the next election, but he kept on saying it hadn't been decided yet. | nail sth/sb down<br>nail down sth/sb |
| We need to nail down a date for the meeting as soon as possible. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pin down** |

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| **name after** | We **named** our daughter **after** my grandmother, so now there are two Katherines in our family. | name sb/sth after sb/sth |
| The new species of beetle was named after the person who discovered it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **narrow down** | Twenty people applied for the job, but after the first round of interviews we **narrowed** it **down** to three. | narrow sth down<br>narrow down sth |
| We narrowed down the range of products from 10 different styles to just 5. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cut down** |

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| **nod off** | The movie was so boring that he **nodded off** and his friends had to wake him up when it was over. | nod off |
| I didn't sleep much last night, so I began to nod off in today's meeting. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **doze off** |

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| **nose around** | One of the things celebrities hate is reporters and photographers **nosing around** their neighbourhood trying to get sensational stories or photos. | nose around<br>nose around sth |
| Tax inspectors are nosing around our accounts, looking for any mistakes. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **notch up** (informal) | The team **notched up** another win this week, so they've now won ten games in a row. | notch up sth<br>notch sth up |
| They've notched up a record number of sales this month. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **note down** | Can I borrow your pen, please? I just need to **note down** this address in case I forget it. | note down sth<br>note sth down |
| I always note down a customer's name before I forget it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jot down** |

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| **number among** | Some historians **number** him **among** the best presidents the country has ever had, while he's **numbered among** the worst by others. | number among sth<br>number sb/sth among sth |
| I used to number Tony among my friends, but I don't any more. | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **N n**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'n'...**

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| 1 | The fear that I'd left the door unlocked kept nagging _ _ me, so I went back home to check. | (2 letters) |
| 2 | Do you think we can nail _ _ _ _ the agreement this week, or will we need more time? | (4 letters) |
| 3 | We named our baby _ _ _ _ _ my grandfather, so now there's another Sam in the family. | (5 letters) |
| 4 | Nine people applied for the job. After checking their CVs, we narrowed it _ _ _ _ to three. | (4 letters) |
| 5 | The speech was so boring that I nodded _ _ _ and started to snore. | (3 letters) |
| 6 | Photographers were nosing _ _ _ _ _ _ the resort, trying to get photos of famous celebrities. | (6 letters) |
| 7 | Our team has just notched _ _ our tenth win in a row. They're in great form at the moment. | (2 letters) |
| 8 | If you have trouble remembering names, carry a pen and pad and note them _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 9 | I numbered him _ _ _ _ _ my friends – until he tried to chat up my girlfriend, that is. | (5 letters) |

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| **object to** | Many smokers **object to** laws that make it illegal to smoke cigarettes in public places. They say the laws infringe on their civil liberties. | object to sth |
| The workers objected to the salary cut and protested against it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **occur to** | It never **occurred to** them that Judy was thinking of quitting her job. She seemed so happy working there. | occur to sb |
| Did it ever occur to you that the accountant could be cheating the company? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **dawn on** |

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| **open up** | James has never told me much about himself, but he **opened up** last night and told me about his past and about his dreams for the future. | open up<br>open up to sb |
| I find it easier to open up to women than to share my feelings with men. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **open up** | New markets are **opening up** in Asia, so many companies from outside the region are looking into the possibility of doing business there. | open up<br>open up sth<br>open sth up |
| The new road has opened up many areas of the country for development. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **opt for** | Most companies have **opted for** production facilities in developing countries where labour costs are much lower. | opt for sth |
| Many people opt for early retirement instead of working until they're 65. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go for** |

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| **opt out** | Too many people have **opted out** of the company's English class. Maybe the classes are too boring and need livening up. | opt out<br>opt out of sth |
| There have always been people who opt out and live outside society. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **drop out** |

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| **order about / around** | I hate the way Donald **orders** us **about**. He's like a sergeant in the army **ordering** his soldiers **around**. | order sb about<br>order sb around |
| She orders the staff about in a bossy way that most people really dislike. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **push around** (inf) |

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| **order in** | If you don't want to eat out, we could stay home and **order in** some pizza. | order in sth<br>order sth in |
| We need to order some food in for the staff who're working late. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **send out for** |

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| **own up** | We knew it was Bob who'd been looking at gambling websites on the office computer, but he wouldn't **own up**. He said it wasn't him. | own up<br>own up to sth |
| It can take courage to own up to a mistake and admit to having made it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions O o

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'o'…**

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| 1 | Many people objected _ _ the rule prohibiting liquids in hand luggage on a plane. | (2 letters) |
| 2 | She seemed happy here. It never occurred _ _ anyone that she was thinking of quitting. | (2 letters) |
| 3 | Do you find it easier to open _ _ and share your feelings with men or with women? | (2 letters) |
| 4 | Why do you think so many people opt _ _ _ early retirement these days? | (3 letters) |
| 5 | If the English classes aren't fun, many of our staff opt _ _ _ and quit studying. | (3 letters) |
| 6 | I hate the way our supervisor orders us _ _ _ _ _ _ . It's like being in the army. | (6 letters) |
| 7 | Let's order _ _ a couple of pizzas and some salads. It's easier than going out to eat. | (2 letters) |
| 8 | New markets are opening _ _ in Africa, so it's time to find distributors there. | (2 letters) |
| 9 | Someone put the wrong ink in the printer, but no-one's owned _ _ to making the mistake. | (2 letters) |

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| **pack away** | Have you **packed** the golf clubs **away** or are they still in the back of the car? | pack away sth<br>pack sth away |
| Pack the samples away again after you've shown them to your customer. | | *see also:* **put away** |

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| **pack in**<br>(informal) | After 40 years, The Rolling Stones are still hugely popular and can still **pack in** the crowds and fill stadiums with fans. | pack in sth/sb<br>pack sth/sb in<br>pack sth/sb into sth |
| They pack as many people as possible in the club to maximise profits. | | *see also:* **pull in** |

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| **pack up** | Jenny is going to **pack up** all her things and move back to her parent's house. | pack up sth<br>pack sth up |
| He has two days to pack his stuff up and move out of the apartment. | | |

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| **pan out** | We're not sure what effect the government's economic stimulus will have yet. We'll just have to wait and see how things **pan out**. | pan out |
| After waiting 6 months to see how the job panned out, Joe decided to quit. | | *see also:* **turn out**, **work out** |

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| **pass away** | Our old professor **passed away** last night. He was a really great teacher and many of his students will be at his funeral. | pass away |
| After my grandpa passed away, my grandma went to live with her sister. | | *see also:* **pass on** |

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| **pass by** | I can post the parcel for you if you like. I **pass by** the post office on my way to work, so it wouldn't be any trouble for me. | pass by<br>pass by sth/sb |
| Can you drop this file into Tara's office whenever you're passing by? | | *see also:* **go by** |

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| **pass off as** | The counterfeit banknotes were very good copies. They **passed** them **off as** real banknotes and no-one noticed at first. | pass sth off as sth<br>pass oneself off as sth/sb |
| He put on a uniform he'd stolen and passed himself off as a real policeman. | | |

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| **pass on** | After you've signed the card, **pass** it **on** to the next person to sign. | pass on sth<br>pass sth on |
| Traditional farming and building skills are passed on from parent to child. | | *see also:* **hand on** |

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| **pass on** | Our old high school teacher Mr Singh **passed on** this morning. I'll let you know when his funeral's being held. | pass on |
| After she passed on, her children fought over the property she left behind. | | *see also:* **pass away** |

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| **pass out** | Could two of you come to the front and get the test papers and **pass** them **out** to your classmates, please? | pass sth out<br>pass out sth |
| We passed out the questionnaire to everyone attending the seminar. | | *see also:* **give out**, **hand out** |

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| **pass out** | It was so hot that Suzie **passed out**. Bill threw some water on her face and she came to after a minute or so. | pass out |
| If you see someone who's passed out, take them to a hospital straight away. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **black out** |

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| **pass over** | I'm sorry to hear you didn't get the promotion this time, but I'm sure you'll get it next time. They won't **pass** you **over** again. | pass sb over<br>(be) passed over |
| This is the second time she's been passed over for a management job. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pass up** | Bill **passed up** the opportunity to study in a top university when he was young. He wanted to start up his own business instead. | pass up sth<br>pass sth up |
| I had to pass the invitation up as I didn't have time to go. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn down** |

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| **pat down** | The security guards **patted** us **down** as we entered the courtroom. They were making sure no-one was carrying a gun. | pat sb down<br>pat down sb |
| Female security police were at the airport to pat down female passengers. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **patch up** | Jill and Ben argue a lot, but they always manage to **patch** things **up** again afterwards. | patch sth up<br>patch up sth |
| The leaders met to patch up their differences and avoid a conflict. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **smooth over, make up** |

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| **pay back** | Thanks for lending me the money. I promise I'll **pay** you **back** as soon as I get my salary next week. | pay sb back<br>pay back sth (to sb)<br>pay sth back (to sb) |
| It'll take them at least ten years to pay back the money they borrowed. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **give back** |

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| **pay back** | I won't forget the way he insulted me. One day I'll **pay** him **back** by making him look stupid in front of lots of people. | pay sb back<br>pay sb back for sth |
| He was angry after we fired him and said he'd pay us back one day. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get back at** |

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| **pay into** | That old lady hasn't had an income since her husband died, but her children **pay** money **into** her bank account whenever they can. | pay into sth<br>pay sth into sth |
| He paid hundreds of dollars into his pension fund every month. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put in** |

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| **pay off** | They took out a loan to buy their house nearly twenty years ago, and they'll have it completely **paid off** by the end of this year. | pay off sth<br>pay sth off |
| Consider a loan's interest rate as well as the time you're given to pay it off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **settle up** |

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| **pay off** | Changing jobs was a gamble, but it's really **paid off**. I make less money than I used to, but I have more free time and I'm a lot happier now. | pay off |
| The investment didn't look good at first, but it's paying off very well now. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pay out** | If you win the lottery, you mightn't get all the money at once. They might **pay** it **out** in installments over several years. | pay sth out<br>pay out sth |
| Insurance companies had to pay out millions after the hurricane struck. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pay up** | We used to sell our products on credit, but we often had to wait too long for customers to **pay up**, so now we require payment in advance. | pay up |
| Our insurance company always questions our claims before paying up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **settle up** |

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| **perk up** | Jules was really quiet at the party until Jamal got there, and then she **perked up** and started to have fun. I think she likes him. | perk up<br>perk sb/sth up |
| The share market was quiet last month, but it's perking up again now. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **liven up** |

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| **phase in** | We're **phasing in** a new dress code. From now on it'll be casual clothes on Fridays, but eventually it'll be casual clothes every day. | phase in sth<br>phase sth in |
| The government will phase the new taxes in over the next two years. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bring in** |

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| **phase out** | It's about time the old dress code was **phased out**. Most other companies already allow their staff to wear casual clothes if they like. | phase out sth<br>phase sth out |
| We'll phase the old bonus system out over the next couple of years. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **do away with** |

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| **pick on** | My son says the older boys **pick on** him at school. They tease him and try to make him look weak in front of the other kids. | pick on sb |
| Joe sounds childish when he says things like 'The boss always picks on me.' | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pick out** | Have a look at the colour chart and let me know which one you'd **pick out** for the kitchen. | pick out sth/sb<br>pick sth/sb out |
| There were many shirts to choose from and it took him ages to pick one out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **decide on**, **go for** |

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| **pick out** | I looked for him in the crowd, but it was getting dark and I couldn't **pick** him **out**. | pick out sb/sth<br>pick sb/sth out |
| We need a strong logo that's easy to pick out among many other logos. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pick up** | I hurt my back when I **picked up** a heavy sofa and put it in the back of my truck. Now I can barely walk. | pick sth/sb up<br>pick up sth/sb |
| If you pick a baby up, make sure you support its head. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **lift up** |

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| **pick up** | Let me know what time your train gets in and I'll **pick** you **up** from the station and drive you home. | pick sb/sth up<br>pick up sb/sth |
| Don't forget to send someone to the post office to pick up that package. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pick up** (inf) | There's this huge outdoor market in Bangkok where you can **pick up** lots of cheap clothes and get heaps of other stuff too. | pick up sth<br>pick sth up |
| It's not being marketed as something you pick up for a few dollars in K-Mart. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **snap up** |

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| **pick up** | Let's stop the meeting now and take a break for lunch. When we get back, we'll **pick up** the discussion again from where we stopped. | pick up<br>pick up sth<br>pick sth up |
| Can you go back to your old job and pick it up from where you left off? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **carry on, go on** |

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| **pick up on** | When you're at a party, make sure you **pick up on** any hints or signs people make to show that they're interested in you. | pick up on sth |
| A good salesperson picks up on a customer's mood by noting body language. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cotton on (to)** (inf) |

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| **piece together** | The police have collected evidence from the scene of the murder and now they're trying to **piece** it all **together** to figure out what happened. | piece sth together<br>piece together sth |
| After piecing together all the evidence, the police have solved the crime. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fit together, put together** |

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| **pile up** | Wendy says she's got bills **piling up** at home, but no money to pay them, and she wants to borrow some money. | pile up |
| His emails have been piling up and he doesn't have time to answer them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **pin down** | They wanted the president to debate the issue, and he said he'd be happy to, but they couldn't **pin** him **down** to a time and a place. | pin down sth<br>pin sth down<br>pin sb down to sth |
| During talks, they pinned the rebels down to a date for releasing the hostages. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **nail down** |

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| **pipe down** (informal) | Everyone was talking loudly until the teacher came in and told them to **pipe down**. Then it got much quieter. | pipe down |
| The coach told everyone to pipe down and listen to what he had to say. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **quieten down, shut up** (very impolite) |

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| **pitch in** (informal) | If we all **pitch in** and work together, we can clean the house in half an hour. But if Christie has to do it all by herself, it'll take her all morning. | pitch in |
| Everyone pitched in and the office was decorated for the party in no time. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pull together** |

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| **plan ahead** | When I was a student, I learned how important it is to **plan ahead**. If I made a timetable for studying before an exam, my results improved. | plan ahead |
| If you're in business, set your goals and plan ahead in order to achieve them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **play around** | The kids love **playing around** with our big old dogs Smelly and Stinky. They throw things around the back garden and the dogs fetch them. | play around<br>play around with sb/sth |
| The new guys play around too much when they should be working. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clown around, kid around, mess around** |

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| **play down** | The government's spokesman tried to **play** the bad economic news **down** by saying the situation would soon improve. | play sth down<br>play down sth |
| Peter plays down the risks he takes to get such high returns on investments. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **play up** | In job interviews, Kathy **plays up** the fact that she graduated from Harvard University. It's one of her best 'selling points'. | play up sth<br>play sth up |
| Sales people play up a product's strengths and play down its weaknesses. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **play up** (informal) | If your computer **plays up** again, call the shop you bought it from and get them to repair it for free under the warranty. | play up |
| The kids were playing up so mum got mad and sent them to their rooms. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **act up** (inf) |

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| **plug in** | If your computer won't work, the first thing to do is to make sure it's **plugged in** properly and the power's turned on. | plug in sth<br>plug sth in |
| I need enough power-points near my desk to plug in at least 6 devices. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **point out** | Sam **pointed out** the fact that many people who smoke die of lung or heart disease, and Bob said he understood but just couldn't quit. | point out sth<br>point sth out |
| Eli pointed out a few errors in the translation that we hadn't noticed. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **point out** | **Point out** the guy you like and I'll go and ask him to come over for a drink. | point out sb/sth<br>point sb/sth out |
| Check out these designs and point out the one you like the most. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **point to** | The polls show people aren't happy with the government and **point to** a defeat for the president in the next election. | point to sth |
| Most analysts say current trends point to economic improvements next year. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **polish off** (informal) | Half the cake was left over, but Greg **polished** it all **off** in the morning. He didn't even leave one piece for me! | polish off sth<br>polish sth off |
| That overweight waiter polishes off the left-over cakes and desserts. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **finish off** |

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| **polish up** | He plans to **polish up** his French before going to Paris. He studied it in school, but says he hasn't used it much since then. | polish up sth<br>polish sth up |
| Polishing my Japanese up by myself won't do. I need a teacher to help me. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **brush up on** |

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| **pop in/ into** (informal) | I could **pop in** and see you on my way home. Will you be in your apartment around 6 o'clock? | pop in<br>pop into sth |
| Could you pop into my office for a moment? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **drop by, stop by** |

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| **pop out** (informal) | I have to **pop out** to take this call, but I'll be back in a minute. | pop out<br>pop out to sth<br>pop out to do sth |
| Pop out to the bathroom if you need to, and we'll start again in ten minutes. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **step out** |

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| **pour in** | Orders have been **pouring in** since we released her new book. It looks like we'll have to print a lot more copies to satisfy the demand. | pour in |
| Thousands of tourists are pouring in for tomorrow's Mardi Gras parade. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **flood in** |

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| **print out** | We don't need to **print out** all the receipts and invoices we email to customers. It's a waste of paper. | print out sth<br>print sth out |
| You'll need about 1000 sheets of paper to print out all the orders. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **run off** (used for multiple copies of sth) |

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| **prop up** | The government has agreed to **prop** failing companies **up** by lending them the money to develop better products. | prop sth up<br>prop up sth<br>(be) propped up by sth |
| The country's economy has been propped up by foreign aid for years. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **provide for** | If you can **provide for** yourself and your family by doing a job you love to do, you're a very fortunate person. | provide for sb |
| After losing his job, the man couldn't provide for his wife and kids. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **pull back** | The soldiers knew they couldn't hold their new position with so many enemy fighters coming, so they **pulled back** to a safer place. | pull back |
| We entered the Chinese market, but pulled back due to budget problems. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pull out** |

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| **pull down** | A developer is going to **pull down** our beautiful old cinema and build another block of apartments on the land. | pull down sth<br>pull sth down<br>(be) pulled down |
| The old buildings had to be pulled down because they were no longer safe. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **knock down, tear down** |

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| **pull in** | This new DJ is really popular in the dance clubs. He's **pulling in** some of the biggest crowds these days. | pull in sth<br>pull sth in |
| Our morning news pulls in a bigger audience than any other channel's news. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pack in** (inf) (for clubs and stadiums) |

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| **pull off** | Despite thinking he couldn't make a good presentation, he **pulled** it **off** easily and did a great job. | pull off sth<br>pull sth off |
| Their plan to take over the company worked well, and they pulled it off. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **bring off** |

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| **pull out** | We knew the company was going under, so we **pulled out** of our deal with them rather than risk losing our investment. | pull out<br>pull out of sth<br>pull sth / sb out of sth |
| Most people think the president should pull the troops out of the war. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **back out (of), pull back (from)** |

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| **pull over** | No need to drive me all the way home. If you **pull over** here, I'll jump out and catch a bus. | pull over |
| The taxi pulled over to pick up a couple of passengers. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pull in, pull up** |

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| **pull through** | We were very worried about his illness. He nearly died, but thankfully he **pulled through** and he's as healthy as ever again now. | pull through |
| It'll be a difficult time for our company, but I'm sure we'll pull through. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **pull together** | We'll all have to **pull together** and work as a team to get the job done on time. | pull together |
| The staff pulled together and helped the company get through the crisis. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pitch in** |

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| **pull up** | We waved down a taxis and it **pulled up** and we all got in. | pull up |
| The car pulled up outside the theatre and Tom and Kate stepped out. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pull over** |

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| **pull up** | I spent an hour in the garden this afternoon **pulling up** weeds and other plants we don't want growing there. | pull up sth<br>pull sth up |
| His boss got angry and told him to 'pull his socks up' and work harder. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **push around** (inf) | My son wants to learn boxing so that bullies at his school won't be able to **push** him **around** so easily. | push around sb<br>push sb around |
| He pushed his little brothers around until they started fighting back. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **rough up** (inf) |

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| **push through** | The president tried to **push** his war budget **through** quickly, but many representatives wanted it debated and voted on properly. | push through sth<br>push sth through<br>push sth through sth |
| The government will try to push through the new foreign business laws. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **bring in** |

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| **put across** | His written English is excellent, but sometimes he finds it difficult to **put** his views **across** in a conversation. | put across sth<br>put sth across |
| Their ideas are great, but they have to learn how to put them across better. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get across** |

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| **put aside** | When people in Buddhist countries cook food, they often **put** some **aside** and offer it to monks when they come by in the morning. | put aside sth<br>put sth aside |
| We'll put this proposal aside for now, but we'll look at it next month. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **set aside, put away** |

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| **put away** | He inherited some money when his grandfather died, and spent about half of it and **put** the rest **away** for the future. | put away sth<br>put sth away |
| His aunt gave him some money she'd put away in case he needed it to study. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **lay aside, put aside, set aside** |

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| **put away** | If you wash the clothes, I'll iron them and **put** them **away**. | put sth away<br>put away sth |
| Make sure you put away any documents you look at or they might get lost. | ✍ | *see also:* **pack away** |

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| **put back** | Don't forget to **put** any movies you watch **back** in the same place you found them, or it'll be difficult to find them next time we want them. | put sth back<br>put back sth |
| Brad swears he put the keys back in the drawer after he used them. | ✍ | |

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| **put back** | The production delay means we've had to **put** the release date **back** a month, so it'll be in July now, instead of June. | put sth back<br>put back sth |
| The government put the election back a month, from April to May. | ✍ | *see also:* **put off (for)** |

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| **put down** | After taking the guest to his room, the bellboy **put** the bags **down** beside the bed, drew the curtains and opened a window. | put sth down<br>put down sth |
| He had to stop and put down the boxes because they were too heavy. | ✍ | *see also:* **set down** |

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| **put down** | Bob can be mean. If he thinks you've done something wrong, he'll **put** you **down** by saying you're no good in front of other people. | put down sb<br>put sb down |
| The boss puts down his staff by criticising them if they make mistakes. | ✍ | *see also:* **run down** |

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| **put down to** | She didn't sing very well in her first concert, and her singing teacher **put** it **down to** her being so nervous. | put sth down to sth |
| Last month's slow sales can be put down to the reduction in advertising. | ✍ | |

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| **put forward** | Faster production time means we can **put** the release date **forward** a month, so it'll be in May now, instead of June. | put sth forward |
| The government put the election forward a month, from April to March. | ✍ | *see also:* **bring forward** |

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| **put forward** | Don't be shy about **putting** your ideas **forward**. If you think of something during the meeting, please tell us about it. | put forward sth<br>put sth forward |
| More proposals on cutting costs will be put forward at the next meeting. | ✍ | *see also:* **bring up** |

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| **put in** | Are you sure you have enough room to **put** a swimming pool **in**? You want some room for a garden as well, don't you? | put sth in<br>put in sth |
| Having a top-quality security system put in can be quite expensive. | ✍ | |

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| **put in** | Have you **put in** your tax return yet? The deadline's coming up pretty soon, you know. | put in sth<br>put sth in |
| If you want to go to the U.S., you'll have to put a visa application form in. | ✍ | |

| **put in** | Kenny's been working very hard lately. He **put in** ten hours of overtime last week. | put in sth<br>put sth in |
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| Those who put the biggest effort in will get the biggest reward. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **put in for** | You should **put in for** study leave to research your idea. You'd have a good chance of getting it. | put in for sth |
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| Why don't you put in for one of the government's export promotion grants? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go for** |

| **put off** | Adia's not feeling very well today, so we've **put** the meeting **off** until tomorrow. | put off sth<br>put sth off |
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| We'll have to put off expanding the company until we get another loan. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **hold off, put back** |

| **put off** | Missing short putts isn't something Tiger often does, but this time he was **put off** by a phone ringing just as he was hitting the ball. | be put off by sth<br>put sb off sth |
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| He was singing well until someone came into the studio and put him off. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **put off** | Peter saw a TV show about how farm animals are killed, and it's **put** him **off** eating meat. He says he might become a vegetarian. | put sb off sth<br>put sb off doing sth |
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| Worries about security still put some customers off ordering online. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **deter from** |

| **put on** | Madonna was a bit late coming back after the break in her concert because she had trouble **putting** her new costume **on**. | put on sth<br>put sth on |
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| On his first date, my teenage son put way too much perfume on. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get on** |

| **put on** | How many concerts featuring international artists did local entertainment companies **put on** this year? | put sth on<br>put on sth |
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| Is the export department going to put a trade fair on this year, or not? | ✍ | 📖 |

| **put on** | It's really cold tonight. Have you **put** the electric blanket **on**? | put sth on<br>put on sth |
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| Don't forget to put on the air conditioner when you get here in the morning. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **switch on, turn on** |

| **put onto** | Frank **put** me **onto** a top-class tailor. His new suit looked great so I asked him where he'd had it made and he gave me the guy's card. | put sb onto sb/sth |
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| Max put them onto a very reliable shipping agent he knows in New York. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **put out** | Are you sure that taking me to the station won't **put** you **out**? I can easily get a taxi if you're busy. | put sb out |
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| He won't stay at our house because he thinks he'd be putting us out. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **put out** | It took the firemen over an hour to **put out** the fire. | put out sth<br>put sth out |
| If they hadn't put the fire out so quickly, we could have lost our factory. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **put through** | His doctor thought he might have cancer, so she **put** him **through** a series of tests. | put sb/sth through sth<br>(be) put through sth |
| New drugs are put through many trials to make sure they're safe. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **put through** | Hold the line please. I'll **put** your call **through** to Mr Gonzales as soon as he's free. | put sb/sth through<br>put sb/sth through to sb/sth |
| The receptionist put him through to the CEO when she realised who he was. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **put to** | I **put** my idea for saving costs **to** the meeting, but they didn't think our executives would like flying in economy class instead of first class. | put sth to sb |
| If you have any ideas on saving costs, put them to the budget committee. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put forward (to)** |

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| **put together** | If they want to become the market leaders, they'll have to **put together** a great marketing plan. | put together sth<br>put sth together |
| She put an excellent presentation together and everyone was impressed. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **piece together** |

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| **put up** | Take out the loan before the banks **put up** their interest rates. | put up sth<br>put sth up |
| We have to put our prices up or we won't be able to make a decent profit. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jack up** (inf.) |

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| **put up with** | We can't **put up with** the heat any longer. We're going to buy an air conditioner. | put up with sth/sb |
| We put up with David's bad behaviour because he's a genius at design. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stand for** (used for behaviour only) |

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| **queue up** | When we went to the bank we used to **queue up** at the counter, but now we take a number and sit down and wait until our number's called out. | queue up |
| Don't you hate it if you've been queuing up for ages and someone pushes in? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **line up** |

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| **quieten down** | A guy got sick of his neighbour's noisy dogs. After asking him to **quieten** them **down** many times, he did it himself by shooting them. | quieten down<br>quieten down sb/sth<br>quieten sb/sth down |
| The kids were noisy until the teacher came, but then they quietened down. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **calm down**, **pipe down** (inf), **settle down** |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions **PQ pq**

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'p' or 'q'...**

1 How long will it take to pack _ _ _ _ all the equipment after the concert? (4 letters)
2 Very few rock bands can still pack the crowds _ _ after thirty years of performing. (2 letters)
3 Why is Monica packing _ _ all her things? Is she moving out? (2 letters)
4 Have you seen how people are _ _ _ _ _ _ in the trains in Tokyo? The guards jam them in! (6 letters)
5 We'll just have to be patient and wait to see how things pan _ _ _ . (3 letters)
6 After a long illness, Barry's grandfather passed _ _ _ _ peacefully in his sleep last night. (4 letters)
7 Could you post this parcel for me if you're passing _ _ the post office? (2 letters)
8 The counterfeit notes were being passed _ _ _ as real banknotes. (3 letters)
9 After you've signed the card, could you pass it _ _ to the next person to sign? (2 letters)
10 Could someone pass _ _ _ the application forms, please? (3 letters)
11 Hector regrets passing _ _ the chance to study more when he was young. (2 letters)
12 Maria and Jose fight a lot, but they always _ _ _ _ _ things up afterwards. (5 letters)
13 The guards patted everyone _ _ _ _ as they entered the building, checking for guns. (4 letters)
14 His sister lent him fifty dollars and he promised to _ _ _ her back next week. (3 letters)
15 Thanks so much for your help. What can I do to pay you _ _ _ _ ? (4 letters)
16 Is it possible to have my pension paid directly _ _ _ _ a bank account overseas? (4 letters)
17 I bought a lovely house by the sea, but it'll take me thirty years to pay _ _ _ the loan. (3 letters)
18 His three years of hard work studying English _ _ _ _ off when he got his dream job. (4 letters)
19 How long did the insurance company take to pay _ _ _ your claim for the operation? (3 letters)
20 These guys came and said he owed them money, and if he didn't pay _ _ he'd be sorry. (2 letters)
21 She was quiet until she'd had some wine, and then she perked _ _ and started to have fun. (2 letters)
22 The government gradually phased _ _ the tax cuts they'd promised to make. (2 letters)
23 It's time our company's old dress code was phased _ _ _ so we can wear casual clothes. (3 letters)
24 My son says some of the older boys at his school pick _ _ him. What should I do about it? (2 letters)
25 Painters are coming soon, so look at the chart and pick _ _ _ a colour for your office. (3 letters)
26 Her boyfriend always picks her _ _ from the station and drives her home. (2 letters)
27 We'll stop now, then after lunch we'll pick up _ _ _ _ where we left off. (4 letters)
28 She doesn't pick up _ _ the signs when she's boring people, and just keeps on talking. (2 letters)
29 After collecting evidence, the police pieced it all _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ and solved the crime. (8 letters)
30 Bills are piling _ _ at home and she has no money to pay them. (2 letters)
31 The rebels have agreed to a ceasefire, but we haven't pinned them _ _ _ _ to a date as yet. (4 letters)
32 We were talking loudly and laughing when the boss came and told us to pipe _ _ _ _ . (4 letters)
33 They all pitched _ _ and had their grandmother's house cleaned up in a few hours. (2 letters)
34 If you're studying, you should plan _ _ _ _ _ in order to prepare for your exams. (5 letters)
35 The kids love playing _ _ _ _ _ _ in the park with their dad on weekends. (6 letters)
36 The prime minister tried to play _ _ _ _ the bad news by saying it wasn't so serious. (4 letters)
37 My back's playing _ _ again, so I'll have to call off my tennis lesson this week. (2 letters)
38 In job interviews, Max always _ _ _ _ _ up the fact that he studied at Oxford University. (5 letters)
39 If your computer won't start up, make sure it's plugged _ _ to a power socket that works. (2 letters)
40 I'd like to point _ _ _ the fact that it's extremely important to know lots of phrasal verbs. (3 letters)
41 Most experts say all the current indicators point _ _ an economic slowdown. (2 letters)
42 Over half the cake was left over, but Greg polished it _ _ _ easily. No wonder he's so big! (3 letters)
43 Before I go to Germany, I'm going to polish _ _ my German language skills. (2 letters)
44 Could you pop _ _ _ _ my office and pick up that CD I was telling you about? (4 letters)
45 I'm popping _ _ _ to call someone, but I'll be back in a minute. (3 letters)
46 Orders for Noam's book have been pouring _ _ since he won the Pulitzer Prize. (2 letters)
47 The country's agricultural sector has been propped _ _ by state subsidies for years. (2 letters)
48 Sergei had trouble providing _ _ _ his wife and kids after his business failed. (3 letters)
49 Our soldiers tried to hold onto the territory, but had to pull _ _ _ _ after being attacked. (4 letters)
50 The old block of apartments was pulled _ _ _ _ because it was no longer safe. (4 letters)
51 The train pulled _ _ and everyone got off. (2 letters)
52 The new Harry Potter movie is really pulling _ _ the crowds. (2 letters)
53 The students pulled _ _ _ a daring break-in and photographed their exam questions. (3 letters)
54 Nadal injured his ankle and had to pull _ _ _ of his match with Roger Federer. (3 letters)
55 After I signalled to the taxi driver, he pulled _ _ _ _ and I got in the back seat. (4 letters)
56 It was a very serious illness and he could have died, but luckily he pulled _ _ _ _ _ _ _ . (7 letters)
57 The coach told his players to pull _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ and work as a team. (8 letters)
58 The only part of gardening he doesn't enjoy much is pulling _ _ weeds. (2 letters)
59 My son is learning karate so bullies won't be able to push him _ _ _ _ _ _ any more. (6 letters)
60 The government plans to push _ _ _ _ _ _ _ new laws to ban alcohol advertisements. (7 letters)
61 Many of our students still have trouble putting their ideas _ _ _ _ _ _ in a conversation. (6 letters)

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'p' or 'q'...**

62 I hope you're putting plenty of money _ _ _ _ _ for your old age. (5 letters)
63 Every month he saves about a thousand dollars, but sometimes he puts _ _ _ _ a bit more. (4 letters)
64 Production delays meant the release date had to be put _ _ _ _ a month. (4 letters)
65 I hate the way our boss puts us _ _ _ _ in front of everyone else if we make a mistake. (4 letters)
66 The coach put his team's loss down _ _ their lack of experience. (2 letters)
67 Advertising agencies will put _ _ _ _ _ _ _ their proposals for the campaign later today. (7 letters)
68 The captain always _ _ _ _ in a big effort and works as hard as he can for the team. (4 letters)
69 Have you put _ _ your application for a visa yet? (2 letters)
70 How many hours of overtime are you _ _ _ _ _ _ _ in this week? (7 letters)
71 You should put in _ _ _ a study grant. You'd have a good chance of getting it. (3 letters)
72 Jamila's not well, so we had to put today's meeting _ _ _ until Monday morning. (3 letters)
73 Ernie missed his putt because a phone rang just as he hit the ball, and it put him _ _ _ . (3 letters)
74 A TV show about how animals are killed for food has put me _ _ _ eating meat forever. (3 letters)
75 Which suit do you think I should put _ _ for the job interview? (2 letters)
76 When she interviews people, she _ _ _ _ on a very serious expression to see how they react. (4 letters)
77 Sam put me _ _ _ _ a new barber and I got a new hairstyle. What do you think? (4 letters)
78 It took the firemen over an hour to put _ _ _ the fire. (3 letters)
79 Hold the line please. I'll put you _ _ _ _ _ _ _ to Mr Kim as soon as he's free. (7 letters)
80 She put her concept _ _ the marketing team, and they said it had potential. (2 letters)
81 We need to put _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ a top design team if we want to create the best products. (8 letters)
82 If a company's profits are falling, do you think it should put _ _ the prices it charges? (2 letters)
83 I'm quitting because I can't put up _ _ _ _ our boss any longer. She's driving me crazy! (4 letters)
84 When you go to the post office, you'll have to queue _ _ at a counter to buy stamps. (2 letters)
85 The kids were talking loudly until the teacher came and told them to quieten _ _ _ _ . (4 letters)

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| **rake in** (informal) | They've been **raking in** the money since their gambling website took off and they're rich now. | rake in sth<br>rake sth in |
| Our company has been raking the money in, so we'll all get big bonuses. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **rally round** (informal) | After the accident, Jane's friends **rallied round** and helped her out with the shopping and her housework. | rally round<br>rally round sb |
| After Carlos lost his job, we all rallied round and helped him find another. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **reach out** | Monkeys were **reaching out** of their cage to grab the bits of bread and fruit the kids were feeding them. | reach out<br>reach out for sb/sth<br>reach out to sb/sth |
| David reached out to shake hands with his fans, and then drove off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **read into** | You're **reading** too much **into** what she said. She doesn't hate you, but you might annoy her sometimes. | read sth into sth |
| A good salesman can read a lot into what customers say and do. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **read out** | The students listened carefully as their teacher **read out** their test scores. | read out sth<br>read sth out |
| The courtroom was very quiet as the judge read the verdict out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **read up on** | I'm going to **read up on** doing business in Asia before I go there. | read up on sth |
| Did she read up on Japanese business culture before she went there? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **reflect on** | When James turned forty, he **reflected on** what he'd done with his life so far, and thought about what he could do with the time he had left. | reflect on sth |
| After her divorce, Sue reflected on her marriage and why it had failed. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **think over** |

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| **rely on** | Sayoko's English is so good now that she doesn't have to **rely on** an interpreter when she's in a meeting. | rely on sth/sb<br>rely on sth/sb to do sth |
| Use the best distributors as we'll be relying on them to maximise sales. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **depend on** |

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| **remind of** | His new receptionist **reminds** Ken **of** his first girlfriend. She looks a bit like her and even sounds like her sometimes. | remind sb of sth/sb |
| The smell of incense reminds her of going to temples as a kid. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **resort to** | Bobby's essay is due in tomorrow but he hasn't finished it, so he's **resorted to** paying another student to help him get it done on time. | resort to sth<br>resort to doing sth |
| Unless he resorts to dirty tricks, the president will lose the next election. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn to**, **fall back on** |

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| **result in** | The new marketing plan was a great success. It **resulted in** a lot of interest in their products and a significant increase in sales. | result in sth |
| The new tax regulations resulted in many small firms starting up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **lead to** |

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| **return to** | They tried living in a different city but it didn't work out, so they're **returning to** their old city. | return to sth |
| Life was good before the war, and it returned to normal after it was over. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go back (to)** |

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| **revert to** | After trying out a new textbook, the school **reverted to** its old book after it became clear the new one didn't work as well. | revert to sth |
| Her new strategies didn't work, so she reverted to her old methods. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go back (to)**, **return to** |

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| **rip off** (informal) | I was **ripped off** by a guy who sold me a gold ring for $500. When I tried to sell it after getting home, I was told it wasn't real gold. | rip off sb<br>rip sb off<br>(be) ripped off (by sb) |
| Some phone companies rip their customers off by charging them too much. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **roll out** | Thai Airways will be **rolling out** its new budget airline over the next few months. | roll out sth<br>roll sth out |
| When will Nokia be rolling their new range of mobile phones out? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bring out** |

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| **roll up** | **Roll** the poster **up** and put it into a mailing tube before sending it. | roll sth up<br>roll up sth |
| Rolling up shirt sleeves signifies hard work in many countries. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **root out** | The government has promised to **root** corrupt officials **out** by checking their bank accounts and their assets. | root sth/sb out<br>root out sth/sb |
| Employees selling company secrets were rooted out and arrested. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **weed out** |

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| **rope in** (informal) | The CEO wants the native speakers to give English lessons to the other staff, and he's **roped** me and Jenny **in**. We couldn't refuse. | rope sb in<br>rope in sb |
| Try to rope in as many of the staff as you can for our charity fun run. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **rough up** (informal) | When he got to jail, he was punched and kicked by the guards. They know that **roughing** new prisoners **up** makes them easier to control. | rough sb up<br>rough up sb |
| Senior students often rough up new students to show them who's boss. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **push around** |

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| **round down** | **Round** the amounts **down** to the nearest dollar. If it's $96.40, make it $96.00. | round sth down<br>round down sth |
| Rounding the amounts down makes the calculations simpler. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **round up** | **Round up** to the nearest dollar. If the amount is $96.60, make it $97.00. | round up sth<br>round sth up |
| Round the amount up to the nearest dollar if it's over the 50-cent mark. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **rub off** | Alan's enthusiasm **rubbed off** on the other players, and now the whole team's playing much better. | rub off<br>rub off on sb |
| If Ida's dedication rubs off, all the staff will start working harder. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **rule out** | Marie will probably get the job, but don't **rule out** Steve. He's got a good chance too. | rule out sb/sth<br>rule sb/sth out |
| The police say her death looks like suicide, but they haven't ruled murder out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **count out** |

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| **run across** | I **ran across** an old friend at the mall yesterday. We went to school together, but we hadn't seen each other for years. | run across sb/sth |
| Did you run across anyone you know at the conference? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bump into, come across, run into** |

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| **run after** | My dog has a bad habit of **running after** cars, and I'm worried that he'll get run over one day. | run after sb/sth |
| I ran after the thief, but he was too fast for me and I couldn't catch him. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run against** | John Kerry **ran against** George W. Bush in the 2004 U.S. presidential election and he lost, though some say he was cheated out of a victory. | run against sb |
| Who will be running against the president in the next election? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run away** | When I was a kid I got angry with my parents one day and **ran away** from home. But I only stayed away until I got hungry. | run away<br>run away from sb/sth |
| Sophie won't face her problems. She just tries to run away from them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run by** | When you've finished preparing your presentation, **run** it **by** me and I'll let you know what I think. | run sth by sb |
| Sue ran her new ideas on marketing by him and he told her what he thought. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run down** | If the manager is angry about something, he **runs** everyone in the office **down**. No matter what they do, he says they're no good. | run sb down |
| Don't worry if she runs you down and criticises your work. We all get it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put down** |

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| **run down** | A bus nearly **ran** me **down** while I was riding my bicycle along the road. If Jill hadn't yelled out, I could've been killed. | run sb down<br>(be) run down by sb/sth |
| An old man was crossing the road when he was run down by a speeding car. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **run over** |

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| **run in** | If you buy a new car, **run** it **in** by driving slowly and gently for the first couple of weeks. If you don't **run** it **in**, you could damage the engine. | run sth in<br>run in sth |
| He blew the engine in his new Ferrari. No-one told him it needed running in. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run into** | Today I **ran into** a cousin I hadn't seen for years. It was good to see each other after such a long time. | run into sb |
| When I go back to my home town, I run into a lot of old school friends. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bump into**, **come across**, **run across** |

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| **run into** | Many development projects **ran into** financial difficulty when their funding was cut back. | run into sth |
| The film festival ran into some serious problems and had to be called off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get into** |

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| **run off** | Could you run down to in the photocopy room and **run** 20 copies of this report **off**? I need them for the meeting and it starts in ten minutes! | run sth off<br>run off sth |
| How long would it take to run off 200 copies of an 8-page document? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **print out** |

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| **run off with** (informal) | Our accountant **ran off with** the company's money, but after a few weeks the police found him and arrested him. | run off with sth/sb |
| Our new accountant ran off with the boss's wife, and no-one's seen them. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **run away (with)** |

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| **run on** | The meeting should have finished at six o'clock, but it **ran on** until well after seven o'clock. | run on |
| The job should be finished in six weeks, but it could run on a bit longer. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go on**, **carry on** |

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| **run on** | The latest mobile phones **run on** a battery that lasts for a week before it needs recharging. | run on sth |
| Why are cars which run on electricity still not used by many people? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run out** | We've **run out** of milk. Could you run down to the shop and get some more, please? | run out<br>run out of sth |
| When the printer's paper has nearly run out, tell Sue we need some more. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run out on** | Richard **ran out on** his wife and kids and went to live in Rio with his Brazilian girlfriend. | run out on sb |
| After running out on her husband, Emma flew to Fiji with a rich accountant. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **walk out (on)** |

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| **run over** | I was nearly **run over** by a bus this morning. If Jill hadn't yelled out, I could've been killed. | run sth/sb over<br>run over sth/sb<br>(be) run over by sth/sb |
| I ran over a dog while driving here and I can't stop thinking about it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **run down** |

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| **run through** | After I've written the speech, could we **run through** it together so you can let me know what you think. | run through sth |
| I just ran through Justin's presentation with him and it was excellent. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go through** |

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| **run to** | Whenever Brian got into financial trouble, he **ran to** his parents to ask for help. | run to sb |
| We can't keep running to the bank for a loan every time we need money. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run up** | I hope the company reimburses us as soon as we get back. We've **run up** quite a large bill at the hotel since we arrived. | run up sth<br>run sth up |
| How did they manage to run such a huge bill up at the hotel? Did they buy it? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **run up against** | We've **run up against** some technical problems in the factory, so we'll have to put back some of our product delivery dates. | run up against sth |
| We've run up against some strong competition from foreign producers. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **(be) faced with, come up against, run into** |

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| **rush into** | When you're investing your savings, don't **rush into** anything. Get all the information and advice you can before making any decisions. | rush into sth |
| She keeps rushing into new relationships and getting hurt. | ✍ | 🕮 |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'r'...**

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| 1 | Sanjaya has been raking _ _ the money since his business took off. | (2 letters) |
| 2 | While Christine was sick, her friends rallied _ _ _ _ _ to help her. | (5 letters) |
| 3 | The monkey reached _ _ _ and grabbed the apple from my hand while I was eating it. | (3 letters) |
| 4 | My wife thinks I'm reading too much _ _ _ _ what Bob said about my work. | (4 letters) |
| 5 | The teacher reads _ _ _ her students' names to check attendance in every class. | (3 letters) |
| 6 | I'm going to read up _ _ Chinese history before going there. | (2 letters) |
| 7 | While she was ill, Sue reflected _ _ how she'd treated her body and vowed to change. | (2 letters) |
| 8 | Our new accountant reminds me _ _ my cousin. They're both quiet and serious. | (2 letters) |
| 9 | Miguel always does a good job, so you can rely _ _ him. | (2 letters) |
| 10 | After losing all his money at the casino, he resorted _ _ selling his watch to keep going. | (2 letters) |
| 11 | The coach's new tactics worked well and resulted _ _ the team's first win for a month. | (2 letters) |
| 12 | Life is slowly returning _ _ normal in the city after the worst floods in history. | (2 letters) |
| 13 | The coach's new tactics didn't work well, so the team reverted _ _ its old tactics. | (2 letters) |
| 14 | Some apartment owners rip their tenants _ _ _ by charging too much for electricity. | (3 letters) |
| 15 | Apple Corp will be rolling _ _ _ their new line of computers at the end of the month. | (3 letters) |
| 16 | Before you send the poster, roll it _ _ and put it into a mailing tube. | (2 letters) |
| 17 | The government has promised to root _ _ _ corrupt officials and punish them. | (3 letters) |
| 18 | More people are needed to join in the charity run, so rope _ _ as many as you can. | (2 letters) |
| 19 | As soon as they arrived, the new prisoners were roughed _ _ by the guards. | (2 letters) |
| 20 | If it's $76.20, you can round it _ _ _ _ to $76.00. | (4 letters) |
| 21 | If it's $86.90, you can round it _ _ to $87.00. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | Nora's enthusiasm has rubbed _ _ _ on other workers and now everyone's doing better. | (3 letters) |
| 23 | Tam will probably get the promotion, but don't rule _ _ _ Joe. He's got a good chance too. | (3 letters) |
| 24 | I ran _ _ _ _ _ _ an old friend at the gym yesterday. We hadn't seen each for years. | (6 letters) |
| 25 | I threw a stick and my dog ran _ _ _ _ _ it and caught it in his mouth. | (5 letters) |
| 26 | Al Gore ran _ _ _ _ _ _ _ George W. Bush in the 2000 election. Bush won, didn't he? | (7 letters) |
| 27 | Her son ran away _ _ _ _ home when he was 13, but he came back the next day. | (4 letters) |
| 28 | After I'd prepared my presentation, I ran it _ _ Bob and he told me what he thought. | (2 letters) |
| 29 | Does your boss get angry and run you _ _ _ _ whenever you make a mistake? | (4 letters) |
| 30 | A bus nearly _ _ _ me down while I was walking along the road. | (3 letters) |
| 31 | If you buy a new car, you'll need to spend the first week or two running it _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 32 | While he was driving home, he took his eyes off the road and _ _ _ into the back of a bus. | (3 letters) |
| 33 | She ran _ _ _ _ her old teacher at the game and they had a quick chat before it started. | (4 letters) |
| 34 | Many companies ran _ _ _ _ financial difficulty when the value of the dollar dropped. | (4 letters) |
| 35 | Could you tell the photocopy guy to run _ _ _ sixty copies of this report? | (3 letters) |
| 36 | The accountant ran off _ _ _ _ the company's money, but the police soon caught him. | (4 letters) |
| 37 | The meeting should have finished at 5.30, but it ran _ _ until 7.30. | (2 letters) |
| 38 | Could you run down to the store and get some milk? We've run _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |
| 39 | The printer stopped because it had run out _ _ ink. | (2 letters) |
| 40 | While she was crossing the road, the old lady was nearly run _ _ _ _ by a bus. | (4 letters) |
| 41 | Let's run _ _ _ _ _ _ _ the agenda before the meeting so we know what we'll be doing. | (7 letters) |
| 42 | Whenever Rashid needs money, he runs _ _ his sister and asks her to help him out. | (2 letters) |
| 43 | It's easy to run _ _ a very big bill if you're ordering expensive drinks, so be careful. | (2 letters) |
| 44 | The production team ran up _ _ _ _ _ _ _ some problems in the new factory. | (7 letters) |
| 45 | When you're making investment decisions, be sure you don't rush _ _ _ _ anything. | (4 letters) |

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| **save up** | My daughter is **saving up** for a new mobile phone. She's already got over a hundred dollars. | save up<br>save up for sth |
| People used to save up to buy something, but now they get things on credit. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **scrape through** | He was a lazy student in university and only just **scraped through** the final exams. He very nearly failed. | scrape through<br>scrape through sth |
| Our team just scraped through to the second round of matches. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **scrape together** | He's a lazy man and doesn't work much, so he sometimes has trouble **scraping together** enough money to pay the rent. | scrape together sth<br>scrape sth together |
| I scraped enough money together to start my own company. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **screw up** (informal) | Jim really **screwed up** this time. We paid a lot of money for a newspaper advertisement and he put the wrong phone number in it! | screw up<br>screw up sth<br>screw sth up |
| If Jim screws up one more time, I'll have to let him go and hire someone else. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **mess up, slip up** |

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| **see about** | Maria's going to **see** her bank's loans officer **about** borrowing the money for a new apartment. | see sb about sth<br>see about sth |
| Jim's going to see a man about a dog. It's a puppy he might buy for his son. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **see around** | Marco used to hang out in the dance clubs, but no-one's **seen** him **around** for a while. Does anyone know what he's up to? | see sb around |
| I've never met their CEO, but I've seen him around at trade fairs. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **see into** | The fortune teller says she can **see into** your thoughts and **see into** the future. Do you believe her? | see into sth |
| I wish I could see into Mark's mind and find out what his real motive is. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **see off** | The girl's family went to **see** her **off** at the airport. After saying good-bye, they waited for her plane to take off and waved as it flew away. | see sb off<br>see off sb |
| Can you take our guests to the train station and see them off, please? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **see out** | After **seeing out** the year in his current job, he's going to spend next year travelling around Asia. | see out sth<br>see sth out |
| We'll see the current contract out and then look for another supplier. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **see through** |

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| **see out** | After the meeting was over, the chairman accompanied his guests down to the lobby and **saw** them **out** to their waiting cars. | see sb out |
| The manager's assistant saw the visitors out to the elevator lobby. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **see through** | We'd agreed to do the job, so we had to **see** it **through** no matter how difficult it became. | see sth through |
| Once we're committed to something, we see it through no matter what. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **see out** |

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| **see through** | Bill said he'd stopped drinking alcohol, but Joe **saw through** him right away and knew he hadn't really stopped. | see through sb/sth |
| Addicts beg doctors for pain drugs, but those who see through the act refuse. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **see through** | Don't worry about money. We'll give you enough to **see** you **through** until you get a new job. | see sb through |
| .Head office says they'll send enough funds to see us through this month. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **see to** | The organising committee asked Gerard to make an advertisement for the next seminar and he said he'd **see to** it right away. | see to sth<br>get/have sth seen to |
| That's a nasty cut. You'd better go to the hospital and have it seen to. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **attend to** |

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| **seek out** | When her husband was diagnosed with cancer, she decided to **seek out** the world's top cancer specialists to treat him. | seek out sth/sb<br>seek sth/sb out |
| We were advised to seek out the most experienced lawyers we could find. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **look for** |

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| **sell off** | The company had to **sell off** some of its assets in order to pay off its debts. | sell off sth<br>sell sth off |
| The company's owner sold his own assets off to pay his company's debts. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **sell out** | The nearest shop had **sold out** of bread, so she had to go to another one further away to get some. | sell out<br>sell out of sth |
| If our retailers are selling out of stock, they need more frequent deliveries. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **run out** |

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| **send back** | The book I ordered arrived in the mail, but it wasn't in good condition so I **sent** it **back** and now I'm waiting for the replacement. | send sth back<br>send back sth |
| Too many orders are sent back damaged, so we'll strengthen our packaging. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **send for** | If someone gets hurt in the factory, **send for** an ambulance and a doctor straight away. You don't need permission from anyone first. | send for sth/sb |
| Tell the job applicants to wait in reception until someone sends for them. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **send off** | If you **send off** your application forms by registered mail today, they should get to the universities in two or three days. | send off sth<br>send sth off |
| Make sure you send the orders off by Friday at the latest. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **mail out** |

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| **send out** | When will Tom and Katie **send** their wedding invitations **out**? | send sth out<br>send out sth |
| How many copies of the new catalogue are they planning to send out? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **mail out** |

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| **send out for** | Why don't we **send out for** pizza? We can eat it in front of the TV and watch the game. | send out for sth |
| Their boss sent out for food for everyone who was working late. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **order in** |

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| **set about** | The new owner **set about** saving the company by cutting costs and laying off staff who weren't performing well enough. | set about sth<br>set about doing sth |
| We've set about the task of finding new markets for our products overseas. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **go about** |

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| **set against** | The new tax was very unpopular and **set** a lot of people **against** the government. | set sb against sth / sb |
| The civil war set many neighbours and friends against each other. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **set aside** | Are you sure you've **set** enough money **aside** for your trip to Japan? Everything's very expensive there, you know. | set sth aside<br>set aside sth |
| How much of the budget did they set aside to cover marketing costs? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **lay aside, put aside** |

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| **set back** (informal) | Airline tickets will **set** them **back** about two thousand dollars, or about fifteen hundred if they're flying on a budget airline. | set sb / sth back sth |
| How much will travel insurance for the whole family set them back? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **set down** | It's important to **set** the refunds policy **down** and post it on the company website so customers can read it whenever they want to. | set sth down<br>set down sth |
| It's a good idea to set down some guidelines on how to treat customers. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **write down** |

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| **set in** | The rain looks like it's **set in** for the day, so it might be best to call off the game. | set in |
| The economic recession seems to have set in and it might go on for years. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **set off** | There was a loud explosion just as the president stepped out of his car. Someone had **set off** a bomb. | set off sth<br>set sth off |
| Rumours of huge share sales set the economic crisis off. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **let off** (for bombs and fireworks only) |

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| **set off / out** | If you want to get there by midday, you'll have to **set off** at around seven o'clock. | set off / out |
| If they set out at ten a.m., they should have arrived by now. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **head off** |

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| **set out** | The prospectus clearly **sets out** the company's goals and its strategies for reaching them. | set out sth<br>set sth out |
| The guarantee should set the conditions out for getting a full refund. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **lay out** |

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| **set up** | Richard **set up** his first company when he was only 16 years old, and since then he's become a very rich man. | set up sth<br>set sth up |
| To set a business up, you need an idea and you need money or investors. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **start up** |

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| **set up** | We've **set up** a meeting with some of our biggest clients, and all our marketing staff are going to be there. | set up sth<br>set sth up |
| The IT staff are setting a new online system up for managing supply chains. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **settle down** | Anna was really excited when we told her about her promotion, but she's **settled down** again now. | settle down |
| The share markets have settled down again after a very busy morning. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **calm down, quieten down** |

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| **settle down** | Dad did a lot of travelling when he was young, but after meeting my mum he **settled down** and raised a family – luckily for me. | settle down |
| Even the wildest young men in the town settled down and raised families. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **settle for** | The workers **settled for** a ten-dollar wage rise and ended their strike, even though some of them wanted to hold out for more. | settle for sth |
| We'll have to settle for second place this time, but we'll beat them next time. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **settle in / into** | My kids weren't happy in their new school at first, but they've **settled in** now and say they like it. | settle in<br>settle into sth |
| The new staff have settled into their jobs and seem happy working here. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **settle on** | They were thinking of going to Japan for a holiday, but after realising how expensive it'd be they **settled on** a trip to Thailand instead. | settle on sth/sb |
| We haven't settled on a name for the puppy yet, but we'll pick one soon. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **decide on** |

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| **settle up** | Bob is an honest guy. When his company went broke, he sold his own house in order to **settle up** some of his company's debts. | settle up<br>settle up with sb |
| We're checking out today so we'll settle up as soon as the bill's ready. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **pay off** (used for debts, but not for bills) |

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| **shake off** | One of our players twisted his ankle, but he kept running and managed to **shake off** the injury and keep on playing. | shake off sth<br>shake sth off |
| He doesn't often get sick, and even when he does he shakes it off quickly. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **get over** |

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| **shake up** | Jane was in a car accident this morning. She wasn't hurt, but it really **shook** her **up** and she's taking the day off work to get over the shock. | shake sb up<br>shake up sb |
| Luckily no-one was hurt in the storm, but it shook up a lot of people. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **shake up** | After taking over the company, the new manager is **shaking** things **up**. She's laid off some staff and set clear performance goals for the others. | shake sth up<br>shake up sth |
| She's good at shaking up administrations and revitalising companies. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **shape up** | Our new boss said a lot of our work needs improving. She said she'd have to dismiss some of us unless we **shaped up** and did a lot better. | shape up |
| The coach told some of his players to shape up and do better, or they'd be out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **shoot down** | The enemy **shot down** one of our fighter jets. The pilot bailed out and survived, but the plane crashed and was destroyed. | shoot down sth<br>shoot sth down |
| Julia shot down every idea Joe proposed. She didn't like any of them. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **shop around** | If you need a new phone, **shop around** to find the best price. Don't just buy one from the first shop you come to. | shop around |
| Shopping around is a good way to find cheap prices and save money. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look around** |

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| **show off** | Arnold must have been doing some bodybuilding at the gym. We saw him **showing off** his new muscles at the pool. | show off sth<br>show sth off |
| Terry invited his friends over to show his new apartment off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **show off** | The boys in the band enjoy playing music, but they like **showing off** to all the cute girls in the audience even more. | show off |
| If her kids show off, she says it's cute. If other kids show off, it annoys her. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **show up** (informal) | Once the word was out, a lot of Aaron's old school friends **showed up** at his birthday party. | show up<br>show up at sth |
| Many people showed up at the product launch because of the free drinks. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn up** |

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| **shut down** | The government tried to **shut down** the illegal drugs trade, but corruption in state agencies made it very difficult. | shut down sth<br>shut sth down |
| The police shut the bar down for serving drinks to underage customers. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **close down** |

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| **shut off** | Why didn't they make very sure someone had **shut off** the power before trying to fix the electrical wiring? | shut off sth<br>shut sth off |
| I can smell gas. Somebody must have forgotten to shut it off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn off** |

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| **shut out** | It's very bright in here. Would you mind if I closed the curtains to **shut out** the sunlight? | shut out sth/sb<br>shut sth/sb out<br>shut sth/sb out of sth |
| She was so angry with him that she shut her husband out of the house. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **keep out** |

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| **shut up** (impolite) | There were some selfish people in the cinema who wouldn't stop talking. They made me so angry that I told them to **shut up** or get out. | shut up<br>shut sb/sth up |
| Can you please find a way to shut your dog up? I can't sleep when it barks. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pipe down** (inf), **quieten down** |

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| **shut up** | Every evening at 8 o'clock he **shuts up** his shop and goes to the pub to meet his friends. | shut up sth<br>shut sth up |
| They've shut the building up for the weekend, so we can't get in until Monday. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sign away** | Many musicians were ripped off when managers and record companies talked them into **signing away** the rights to their music. | sign away sth<br>sign sth away |
| He claims he was misled by a lawyer into signing his parental rights away. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sign off** | At the end of his TV show, Larry King used to **sign off** by saying, 'See ya later, alligator.' | sign off<br>sign off by doing sth<br>sign off with sth |
| I sign off emails with 'Cheers', but for letters I often use 'Best regards'. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sign on** | Angie loves teaching English and she's just **signed on** for another year's work in her school. | sign on<br>sign on sb<br>sign sb on |
| Have they managed to sign someone on to do the job yet, or not? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **sign up** |

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| **sign up** | Liverpool Football Club has just **signed up** three new players for next season. | sign up<br>sign up sb<br>sign sb up |
| The army's had trouble signing new recruits up since the war began. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **sign on** |

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| **sing along** | I'll sing a song, but only if everyone else **sings along** with me. | sing along<br>sing along with sb/sth |
| We had a great time singing along with some of our favourite songs. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sink in / into** | When I told my wife that we'd won the lottery, she sat there staring. But when it finally **sank in**, she started clapping and screaming. | sink in<br>sink into sth |
| It took a while for what she'd said to sink into my tired, old brain. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sit around** | Sometimes Ben watches his cat and the way it just **sits around** all day looking content, and he thinks it must nice being a cat. | sit around |
| Does he really think he'd be happy just sitting around all day? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hang around, laze around** |

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| **sit back** | We can't just **sit back** and wait for other people to solve the problem of global warming. We all have to do whatever we can to help. | sit back |
| He thinks managers just sit back and tell other people to do all the work. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **sit around** |

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| **sit down** | The students stood up when the teacher came in, and didn't **sit down** again until she told them to. | sit down |
| Sitting down at a desk all day isn't healthy, so I go for a walk every hour. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sit in for** | The chairman can't be here today, so he's asked me to **sit in for** him and chair the meeting. | sit in for sb |
| Will you have time to sit in for me at the meetings while I'm away? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fill in, stand in** |

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| **sit in on** | We have some trainee teachers coming in today. They're going to **sit in on** some classes and watch what we do. | sit in on sth |
| In my country, any citizen can sit in on a court trial and watch it. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sit out** | It was a terrible movie, but I had to **sit** it **out** because I went with my girlfriend and she wanted to see how it ended. | sit sth out<br>sit out sth |
| I had no choice but to sit out the boring meeting and the dull speeches. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **see through, see out** |

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| **sit up** | His mother told him to **sit up** straight or he'd have problems with his back when he was older. | sit up |
| We sat up and took notice when she began reading out the exam results. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **size up** | Make sure you look your best when you go for a job interview. They'll be **sizing** you **up** before you even speak. | size sb/sth up<br>size up sb/sth |
| She sizes up a writer's work and then quickly accepts it or rejects it. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **weigh up** (for things more than people) |

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| **sleep around** (inf) | Some people say that most young men like to **sleep around** while most young women prefer to stick with the one partner. | sleep around |
| His doctor said sleeping around increases the risk of catching diseases. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sleep in** | I love **sleeping in** on Sunday mornings. Sometimes I don't get up until midday. | sleep in |
| I didn't plan to sleep in so long, but I guess I needed to catch up on my sleep. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **slip up** (informal) | If Bob makes any more mistakes, he might lose his job. He has to be careful he doesn't **slip up** again. | slip up |
| An air traffic controller can't afford to slip up or many people could die. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **mess up, screw up** (inf) |

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| **slow down** | You're driving too fast. **Slow down** or you might get booked for speeding. | slow down<br>slow sth down<br>slow down sth |
| I'm worried about your health. Slow down a bit and don't work so much. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **smooth over** | My wife and I had a fight this morning, but we **smoothed** things **over** before the kids got up. | smooth sth over<br>smooth over sth |
| Agents try to smooth over disagreements between clients and employers. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **patch up** |

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| **snap up** | They're having a sale at the bookshop tomorrow, so I'm going early to **snap up** some good books at bargain prices. | snap up sth<br>snap sth up |
| My stockbroker says it's a good time to snap up some undervalued shares. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **buy up, pick up** |

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| **sober up** | If someone's had too much to drink don't let them drive, even if they say they've **sobered up**. It takes a long time to really **sober up**. | sober up<br>sober up sb<br>sober sb up |
| Mike's friends tried to sober him up by giving him lots of black coffee. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sort out** | My files were in a mess, so I spent an hour **sorting** them **out** and putting them back where they belong. | sort sth out<br>sort out sth |
| Could you sort out the invoices and put aside those that are still unpaid? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **straighten out, tidy up** |

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| **sort out** | Who's **sorting out** everything for the seminar, like the venue, the speakers, catering and everything else that needs to be taken care of? | sort out sth<br>sort sth out |
| Jenny's sorting out the venue and Sue's sorting out guests and schedules. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **figure out, work out** |

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| **spark off** | Our players were already angry, so when our captain got kicked again it **sparked off** a fight with the other team's players. | spark off sth<br>spark sth off |
| Police sparked the riots off by shooting an innocent young boy. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **set off** |

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| **speak for** | I can't **speak for** the other teachers, but I'd love to try a new textbook. You'd better ask the others before you make a decision, though. | speak for sb |
| I'm sure I speak for everyone when I say we deserve bigger bonuses. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **speak out** | If you are treated unfairly, you should **speak out**. If you don't **speak out**, nobody will know about it and nothing will be done. | speak out<br>speak out about sth |
| We tell staff to speak out about any work-related problems they have. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **speak up** | I'm sorry, but I'm a little bit deaf. Would you mind **speaking up** a bit, please? | speak up |
| You'll have to speak up if you want to be heard in these noisy meetings. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **speed up** | We have to drive slowly around town, but when we get on the freeway we can **speed up**. | speed up<br>speed sth up<br>speed up sth |
| We'll have to speed production up if we want to fill this order on time. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **spell out** (informal) | Our teacher **spells out** the importance of learning phrasal verbs because he thinks some textbooks don't emphasise them enough. | spell out sth<br>spell sth out |
| They spell everything out in simple English to make sure we all understand. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **split up** | Can you believe it? Ken and Barbie have **split up** after being married for forty years, and they'll be getting divorced soon. | split up<br>split up sth<br>split sth up |
| The new owners want to split the company up and sell off the parts. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **break up** |

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| **spread out** | Open the map and **spread** it **out** on the table so we can all see it. | spread out sth<br>spread sth out |
| It's possible to spread the loan repayments out over twenty years. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **spruce up** | Gary doesn't think about his appearance much, unless he's going to a party or a club. Then he **spruces** himself **up** and he looks really good. | spruce up sth/sb<br>spruce sth/sb up |
| The council will spruce the town up to make it look nice for the queen. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clean up, tidy up** |

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| **stake out** | The police **staked out** the wanted man's house. They hid in an apartment across the street and waited for him to come home. | stake out sth<br>stake sth out |
| Photographers staked out Brittney's house, hoping to get some photos of her. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **stamp out** | The government has been unable to **stamp** police corruption **out**, mostly because the police officers don't usually like to arrest their colleagues. | stamp sth out<br>stamp out sth |
| Universities are trying to stamp out cheating, but students are very cunning. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **wipe out** |

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| **stand by** | As the damaged plane landed, emergency workers **stood by** in case it crashed or caught fire. | stand by |
| Police were standing by, ready to step in if the protest became violent. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **stand down** | The report on his abuse of power was so damaging that the president had to **stand down** and let the vice president take over. | stand down |
| The captain stood down, saying the team needed a younger leader next year. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **step down, bow out** |

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| **stand for** | The letters 'CEO' **stand for** Chief Executive Officer. What do the letters 'UN' **stand for**? | stand for sth |
| Do the letters 'PR' stand for 'public relations' or 'public relationships'? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **stand for** | The Republicans say they **stand for** traditional family values, but Bill says they really stand for the interests of large corporations. | stand for sth |
| The Democrats say they stand for social justice and civil rights. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **stand for** | Our boss won't **stand for** workers being late. He tells us we'll get fired if we don't get to work on time. | stand for sth |
| She said she won't stand for laziness or cheating among her students. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put up with** |

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| **stand in** | Our teacher couldn't come today, so the school had to find another teacher to **stand in** for her. | stand in<br>stand in for sb |
| I can't chair today's meeting, so I was hoping you'd stand in for me. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fill in**, **sit in for** |

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| **stand out** | His green hair makes him really **stand out**. If he's in a crowd, it's easy to pick him out. | stand out |
| We need packaging that will stand out and be easy to see in shops. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stick out** |

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| **stand up** | The students **stand up** when their teacher comes in, and they sit down again after she sits down. | stand up |
| In many countries, it's customary to stand up for the national anthem. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get up** |

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| **stand up for** | The boss blamed Jenny for the mistake, but her friends **stood up for** her and said it wasn't her fault. | stand up for sb |
| The workers stand up for each other if anyone is accused of doing wrong. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **back (sb) up**, **stick by** |

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| **stand up to** | Our son wants to learn Thai boxing so he can **stand up to** other kids at school who try to bully him. | stand up to sb |
| Jim is very dominating, so other workers have to learn to stand up to him. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **start off** | Madonna **started** her concert **off** with a really great new song that had everyone up on their feet dancing. | start sth off<br>start off sth<br>start off with sth |
| Before the presentations, Helen started off with a brief company history. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **kick off** (inf) |

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| **start out** | Julia **started out** as an English teacher in a small elementary school, and now she's the principal of a famous secondary school. | start out |
| The company started out with just three workers, but now it has over fifty. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **start off** |

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| **start up** | One way to get rich is by **starting** companies **up** and then selling them once they've started making money. | start sth up<br>start up sth |
| I'm tired of working for other people, so I'm starting up a company. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **set up** |

| **stay away** | He told his children to **stay away** from the dog because he knew it was dangerous and might bite them. | stay away<br>stay away from sth/sb |
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| If the boss is in a bad mood, try to stay away from him if possible. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **keep away from** |

| **stay on** | We were having such a great time in Indonesia that we decided to **stay on** for another week instead of going straight to Malaysia. | stay on |
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| She decided to stay on in the job and keep working there for another year. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **stay up** | My son **stayed up** very late last night studying for an exam. He didn't get to bed until three o'clock. | stay up |
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| Jeff is sleepy today. He stayed up late last night working on his website. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **step down** | The team's manager **stepped down** after ten years in the job. He was getting older and he knew it was time for a younger person to take over. | step down |
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| It's time I stepped down and let a younger person with new ideas take over. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stand down, bow out** |

| **step in** | If the teacher hadn't **stepped in** and stopped the boys from fighting, they could have really hurt each other. | step in |
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| Sometimes a manager has to step in and resolve a dispute among workers. | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **step out** | During the meeting, Bob **stepped out** into the corridor with the manager so they could speak in private for a minute. | step out |
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| He kept stepping out of the meeting to talk on his cell phone. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **pop out** |

| **step up** | Airlines **stepped up** security after the hijackings. They are more careful now when they check passengers and luggage. | step up sth<br>step sth up |
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| We need to step our marketing efforts up and do more to boost sales. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **beef up** |

| **stick at** (informal) | Learning English isn't easy, but don't give up. **Stick at** it and in the end you'll be glad you did. | stick at sth |
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| It'll take time to make a profit, but if we stick at it we'll succeed eventually. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **keep at** |

| **stick by** | Suzie's a very loyal friend. If you have a problem, she'll **stick by** you and help you out as much as she can. | stick by sb |
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| The company stuck by him while he was treated for his alcohol problem. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **back (sb) up** |

| **stick out** | I knew he had a gun. I could see it **sticking out** of his pocket. | stick out<br>stick out of sth<br>stick out from sth |
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| He tripped over a small pipe that was sticking out of the wall. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jut out** |

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| **stick out** | When I was in Nigeria, I really **stuck out**. Nearly everywhere I went I was the only white person around. | stick out |
| The bright packaging will make it stick out on the supermarket shelf. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stand out** |
| **stick to** | If a diet's working well and you're losing weight, you can **stick to** it. But if it's also making you feel unwell, you should stop it and see a doctor. | stick to sth |
| You have to stick to the marketing budget, so spend the money wisely. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **keep to**, **stick with** (inf) |
| **stick with** (informal) | The team won last week, so they're going to **stick with** the same players for this week's game. | stick with sth/sb |
| Most people have trouble sticking with exercise programs and soon quit. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **keep to**, **stick to** |
| **stir up** | The government said a few troublemakers **stirred** the crowd of protesters **up** and made them attack the police. | stir sth up<br>stir up sth |
| Logging in the forest near their village stirred up anger in the local people. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **whip up** |
| **stock up** | Before the hurricane came, people went shopping to **stock up** on food in case they couldn't leave their homes for a few days. | stock up<br>stock up on sth |
| The price of paper's going up soon, so let's stock up while it's still cheap. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **stop by** | We're driving up to Washington, and on the way we'll **stop by** my aunt's house in Baltimore. | stop by<br>stop by sth |
| He often stops by a cake shop on his way home to get treats for his kids. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **call on**, **drop by** (inf), **stop off (at)** |
| **stop off** | We're driving down to London, and on the way we'll **stop off** at my friend's house in Cambridge. | stop off<br>stop off at sth |
| I'll stop off at the library on the way to work and drop the books off. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **call on**, **drop by** (inf), **stop by** |
| **stop over** | We're going to China, and we'll be **stopping over** in Hawaii for a couple of days on the way. | stop over |
| I'd love to stop over in Paris for a day but I won't have enough time. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stop off** |
| **storm out** | The safety officer got angry when his request for better equipment was turned down, and he **stormed out** of the meeting. | storm out<br>storm out of sth |
| She was so angry that she slammed the door as she stormed out of the room. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **straighten out** | There's been a misunderstanding with one of our customers, so we'll have a meeting with them to **straighten** everything **out**. | straighten sth out<br>straighten out sth |
| There's something I need to straighten out before I sign the contract. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **clear up**, **iron out**, **sort out** |

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| **strip off** | It was a hot night, and no one else was around, so we **stripped off** and swam naked in the pool. | strip off<br>strip sth off<br>strip off sth |
| It was very hot when the air conditioner broke so we stripped our shirts off. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **sum up** | Before he'd finished his lecture, Professor Dumbledoor **summed up** by repeating some of his main points. | sum up sth<br>sum sth up |
| After summing his ideas up, the speaker answered some questions. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **switch off** | Who forgot to **switch off** the lights before they left the house this morning? | switch off sth<br>switch sth off |
| I don't usually switch my computer off, but it goes to sleep itself sometimes. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn off** |

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| **switch on** | Don't **switch on** the power until you're sure nobody is touching the electrical wiring. Make sure you keep it switched off until then. | switch on sth<br>switch sth on |
| Someone forgot to switch the answering machine on last night. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn on** |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 's'...**

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| 1 | My son is saving _ _ for a new car, and he's already got about $6,000. | (2 letters) |
| 2 | I was very lazy in university, but I always scraped _ _ _ _ _ _ _ my exams somehow. | (7 letters) |
| 3 | Sometimes the poor boy can't even scrape _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ enough money for his lunch. | (8 letters) |
| 4 | Jim's already made a lot of mistakes, and if he screws _ _ again he might lose his job. | (2 letters) |
| 5 | I'm going to the travel agent to _ _ _ about booking tickets for our holiday. | (3 letters) |
| 6 | Does anyone know what Richard's doing? I haven't seen him _ _ _ _ _ _ for a few days. | (6 letters) |
| 7 | My family will come to see me _ _ _ at the airport when I leave for China. | (3 letters) |
| 8 | Nostradamus thought he could see _ _ _ _ the future and he made many predictions. | (4 letters) |
| 9 | She's going to see _ _ _ the year in her current job, and then quit and travel for a while. | (3 letters) |
| 10 | Would you mind _ _ _ _ _ _ our guest out to his car when the meeting is over? | (6 letters) |
| 11 | We'll see the job _ _ _ _ _ _ _ no matter how long it takes. | (7 letters) |
| 12 | Her parents will see her _ _ _ _ _ _ _ college, but she'll be supporting herself after that. | (7 letters) |
| 13 | Don't worry. I'll see _ _ it that he gets your message. | (2 letters) |
| 14 | We were advised to seek _ _ _ the best lawyers we could find to defend our son. | (3 letters) |
| 15 | The bankrupt company had to _ _ _ _ off its assets to pay its debts. | (4 letters) |
| 16 | I went to the shop to buy some milk but they'd sold _ _ _ , so I couldn't get any. | (3 letters) |
| 17 | The camera I ordered arrived in the mail, but it was damaged so I sent it _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 18 | Why didn't anyone send _ _ _ the fire brigade when the fire first started? | (3 letters) |
| 19 | The referee gave him a red card for a dangerous tackle and sent him _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |
| 20 | We're going to send _ _ _ ten thousand copies of our new catalog to our customers. | (3 letters) |
| 21 | Ken didn't feel like cooking, so we sent out _ _ _ some pizza and salad instead. | (3 letters) |
| 22 | The new manager set _ _ _ _ _ the difficult task of saving the failing company. | (5 letters) |
| 23 | The war in Iraq set Shi'ite and Sunni Moslems _ _ _ _ _ _ _ each other and many died. | (7 letters) |
| 24 | Have you set _ _ _ _ _ enough money for your trip to India? | (5 letters) |
| 25 | The concert tickets set him _ _ _ _ about two hundred dollars. | (4 letters) |
| 26 | We need to set the details of our arrangement _ _ _ _ in writing so everything is clear. | (4 letters) |
| 27 | The rain looks like it's set _ _ , so I don't think we'll be playing tennis today. | (2 letters) |
| 28 | A bomb was set _ _ _ just as the prime minister was coming out of the building. | (3 letters) |
| 29 | We have to go a long way tomorrow, so we should set _ _ _ early in the morning. | (3 letters) |
| 30 | My brother set _ _ his own company when he was only 18 years old. | (2 letters) |
| 31 | Why don't you _ _ _ up a meeting with our new clients? | (3 letters) |
| 32 | He travelled for years and didn't settle _ _ _ _ and raise a family until he was nearly forty. | (4 letters) |
| 33 | Despite wanting more, the workers settled _ _ _ a $10 raise and ended their strike. | (3 letters) |
| 34 | The kids took a while to settle _ _ to their new school, but now they like it. | (2 letters) |
| 35 | At first they thought about going to India, but they settled _ _ a trip to Italy instead. | (2 letters) |
| 36 | After winning the lottery, Jerry settled _ _ all his debts. | (2 letters) |
| 37 | David hurt his foot, but he shook it _ _ _ and played out the rest of the game. | (3 letters) |
| 38 | Even though she wasn't hurt in the accident, she was really shaken _ _ by it. | (2 letters) |
| 39 | The new manager is going to shake things _ _ and try to save the company. | (2 letters) |
| 40 | Unless we shape _ _ and do better in our work, our boss said he'd have to fire us. | (2 letters) |
| 41 | One of our fighter jets was shot _ _ _ _ by the enemy. | (4 letters) |
| 42 | If you want to buy a new phone, shop _ _ _ _ _ _ to find the best price. | (6 letters) |
| 43 | Many guys at the gym love to show _ _ _ their big muscles. | (3 letters) |
| 44 | John was angry when his ex-wife showed _ _ at his party without being invited. | (2 letters) |
| 45 | The government tried to shut _ _ _ _ the illegal drugs trade. | (4 letters) |
| 46 | Before you try to fix the wiring, make sure you shut _ _ _ the power. | (3 letters) |
| 47 | It's too bright in here. Would you mind closing the curtains to shut _ _ _ the light? | (3 letters) |
| 48 | Their teacher got angry and told the noisy students to shut _ _ or get out. | (2 letters) |
| 49 | He shuts _ _ his shop and goes home at six o'clock every day. | (2 letters) |
| 50 | Jimmy claimed he was tricked by his manager into signing _ _ _ _ the rights to his music. | (4 letters) |
| 51 | I usually end my emails with 'Best regards'. How do you usually sign _ _ _ ? | (3 letters) |
| 52 | He likes his job, so he's signed _ _ for another one-year contract. | (2 letters) |
| 53 | The army is using TV commercials to get more people to sign _ _ and become soldiers. | (2 letters) |
| 54 | I'll only sing a song if everyone else sings _ _ _ _ _ with me. | (5 letters) |
| 55 | When I heard I'd won a scholarship to Oxford University, it took a moment to sink _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 56 | I can't just sit _ _ _ _ and do nothing while everybody else is working hard. | (4 letters) |
| 57 | They stood up while the judge came in, and then sat _ _ _ _ . | (4 letters) |
| 58 | He couldn't get to the meeting, so he asked his assistant to sit in _ _ _ him. | (3 letters) |
| 59 | Some trainee teachers sat _ _ on the class and watched as Steven taught his students. | (2 letters) |
| 60 | Since losing his job, Gino has just sat _ _ _ _ _ _ _ all day watching TV. | (6 letters) |
| 61 | I find musicals boring but my family wanted to see *Cats* so I took them and sat it _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 's'...**

62 Sit _ _ straight or you'll have back problems when you get older. (2 letters)
63 My grandma can size people _ _ as soon as she meets them, and she's always right. (2 letters)
64 In many societies it's acceptable for men to sleep _ _ _ _ _ _ , but not for women. (6 letters)
65 My wife loves sleeping _ _ on Sundays. Sometimes she doesn't get up until midday. (2 letters)
66 Rashid's being very careful with his work. If he slips _ _ again, he might lose his job. (2 letters)
67 What should I say if a taxi driver is going too fast and I want him to slow _ _ _ _? (4 letters)
68 I had a fight with my wife last night, but we soon smoothed things _ _ _ _ again. (4 letters)
69 We went to a furniture sale and snapped _ _ some really good bargains. (2 letters)
70 My accounts and financial statements are piling up. I really should sort them _ _ _ . (3 letters)
71 We can't go home until we've _ _ _ _ _ _ out this problem. (6 letters)
72 Jane's sorting _ _ _ all the details for the meeting, like time, venue, agenda, and so on. (3 letters)
73 George drank too much, so his friends tried to sober him _ _ with some black coffee. (2 letters)
74 The attack on our team's captain sparked _ _ _ a fight between the teams. (3 letters)
75 I can't speak _ _ _ the other teachers, but I think we need a more up-to-date textbook. (3 letters)
76 If workers are cheated or treated badly, they should speak _ _ _ about it. (3 letters)
77 I'm a little bit deaf. Could you _ _ _ _ _ up, please? (5 letters)
78 If the company gets a big order, the workers must speed _ _ production in the factory. (2 letters)
79 The teacher spelled _ _ _ the importance of learning phrasal verbs and idioms. (3 letters)
80 Ken and Barbie have split _ _ after living together for twenty years. (2 letters)
81 She spread the map _ _ _ on the floor and planned the route she'd follow the next day. (3 letters)
82 He hoped to meet a nice girl at the party, so he had a shave and spruced himself _ _ . (2 letters)
83 The police sat in their car, staking _ _ _ the killer's house in case he came back. (3 letters)
84 Most governments have found it impossible to stamp _ _ _ the illegal drugs trade. (3 letters)
85 Firemen stood _ _ in case the damaged plane caught fire. (2 letters)
86 After being convicted, the president stood _ _ _ _ and the vice president took over. (4 letters)
87 The letters U.K. stand _ _ _ *United Kingdom*. (3 letters)
88 Our teacher's sick, so another teacher is standing _ _ for her. (2 letters)
89 He's over 7 feet tall, so he really stands _ _ _ in a crowd. (3 letters)
90 The teacher said she wouldn't stand _ _ _ any more bad behaviour. (3 letters)
91 We always stand _ _ when the professor comes in. (2 letters)
92 Which political party says they stand _ _ _ traditional family values? (3 letters)
93 Her friends stood _ _ for her and said the mistake wasn't her fault. (2 letters)
94 My son wants to learn karate so he can stand up _ _ other boys who try to bully him. (2 letters)
95 They started _ _ _ the concert with one of their biggest hit songs. (3 letters)
96 Mr Brown started _ _ _ as a junior salesman, but now he runs the company. (3 letters)
97 How much money did he have when he started _ _ the company? (2 letters)
98 My dog is in a bad mood today, so I'd stay _ _ _ _ from him if I were you. He might bite. (4 letters)
99 His wife was so upset with him that she shut him _ _ _ of their bedroom. (3 letters)
100 He loved Thailand so much that he decided to stay _ _ and look for a job there. (2 letters)
101 If you hadn't stayed _ _ so late last night, you wouldn't feel so tired today. (2 letters)
102 Our old manager stepped _ _ _ _ after twenty years, and a new manager took over. (4 letters)
103 The girls fought until their teacher stepped _ _ and stopped the fight. (2 letters)
104 During the meeting, Nada and Rida stepped _ _ _ for a quick talk in private. (3 letters)
105 After the bomb, the embassy stepped _ _ security and employed more guards. (2 letters)
106 It takes time for a new business to succeed, so stick _ _ it and don't give up too soon. (2 letters)
107 They'll stick _ _ the original plan and won't change anything unless they're told to. (2 letters)
108 Jenny's a good friend. She'll stick _ _ you no matter what happens. (2 letters)
109 Are you sure he had a gun? Did you really see one sticking out _ _ his pocket? (2 letters)
110 When Sue was in Africa, her red hair and white skin made her stand _ _ _ in a crowd. (3 letters)
111 Last month's sales were good, so we'll stick _ _ _ _ the marketing plan we used. (4 letters)
112 The protest leaders stirred _ _ the crowd and made them start a fight with police. (2 letters)
113 Floods are expected, so we'll stock up _ _ food and water in case the shops run out. (2 letters)
114 Can we stop _ _ a pharmacy on the way to the airport? I need some aspirin. (2 letters)
115 On our way to London we'll stop _ _ _ in Oxford and visit the university. (3 letters)
116 Does the flight stop _ _ _ _ in Japan on the way to China? (4 letters)
117 Gillian got really angry in the meeting and stood up and stormed _ _ _ of the room. (3 letters)
118 The tax inspector wants a meeting to straighten _ _ _ a few details on our tax return. (3 letters)
119 Last night we went to the beach and stripped _ _ _ and swam naked in the sea. (3 letters)
120 The professor summed _ _ her lecture, and then it was over. (2 letters)
121 Are you sure you didn't forget to switch _ _ _ the stove before you left the house? (3 letters)
122 Don't switch _ _ the power until you're sure everyone has stopped work on the wiring. (2 letters)

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| **tail off** | At first the new software sold very well, but after a few months sales **tailed off** and now it hardly sells at all. | tail off |
| Replies to the newspaper ad soon tailed off, and then stopped altogether. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **die down** |

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| **taken aback** | When my wife was told she'd been elected captain of her golf club, she was genuinely **taken aback**. She really hadn't expected to be elected. | (be) taken aback<br>(be) taken aback by sth/sb |
| I was taken aback by the surprising news that I'd been transferred overseas. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take after** | Most people say the boy **takes after** his father more than his mother. Even though he has his mother's blue eyes, he looks more like his father. | take after sb |
| She takes after mum in looks, but her personality is more like dad's. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take apart** | Before he painted his bicycle, he **took** it **apart** so he could paint each part separately. | take sth apart<br>take apart sth |
| It's usually easier to take apart something than to put it back together. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take away** | The waiters **took away** the dirty dishes and wiped down the table before serving our desserts and coffee. | take away sth<br>take sth away |
| Would you like to eat your meal here or do you want to take it away? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take back** | Have you **taken** those books **back** to the library yet, or have you still got them? | take sth back<br>take back sth |
| This shop won't take back things they've sold, so be sure it's what you want. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take back** | A boy insulted my son, and my son told him he'd beat him up if he didn't **take** it **back**. The boy **took back** what he'd said and apologized. | take sth back<br>take back sth |
| I'm sorry I said those awful things and I take back everything I said. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take down** | My mother was a secretary years ago, and still remembers shorthand. She can **take** what I say **down** as quickly as I say it. She's amazing! | take sth down<br>take down sth |
| The police stopped our car and took down our names and addresses. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jot down, note down** |

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| **take down** | Tell the painters to **take down** the pictures and stick them in one of the bedrooms while they paint the living room. | take down sth<br>take sth down |
| Christmas decorations are usually taken down before January starts. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take for** | Do you think Robert looks Middle Eastern? He said people in Egypt **took** him **for** an Egyptian and spoke Arabic to him. | take sb/sth for sb/sth |
| He took me for an idiot, thinking I'd believe the watch was a real Rolex. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take in** | Did you **take in** much of what the professor was saying at the end of his lecture? I couldn't understand much of it myself. | take in sth<br>take sth in |
| He was nodding as if he understood, but he wasn't really taking much in. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take in** | Since he started exercising he's lost a lot of weight, and most of his trousers are too big now. He'll have to get his tailor to **take** them **in**. | take sth in<br>take in sth |
| She said the skirt was too big, but after being taken in it'd fit her perfectly. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take in** | This tour of New Zealand **takes in** both the North Island and the South Island, so you'll see the whole country. | take in sth<br>take sth in |
| The book takes in both World War One and World War Two. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take off** | Don't forget to **take off** your shoes before you go into people's homes in Japan. | take off sth<br>take sth off |
| Why don't you take your make-up off before going to sleep? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take off** | Let's see if we can **take** the day **off** and go to the beach. It's such a beautiful day it'd be a shame to waste it stuck in the office. | take sth off<br>take off sth |
| He needs to take next week off to be with his wife and newborn baby. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get off** |

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| **take off** | As his plane **took off**, his family watched and waved from the airport's terminal building. | take off |
| Our little boy was really excited as the plane took off. It was his first flight. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take off** | Sales of the book were slow at first, but they really **took off** after it was made into a movie. Now the book's a best seller. | take off |
| Before long, the website took off. It now attracts millions of visitors a day. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go up** |

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| **take on** | Our production manager says we'll have to **take on** twenty more factory workers to make enough stock for the New Year sales. | take on sb<br>take sb on |
| Her schedule is full, so she can't take any more students on just now. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take on** | Chelsea Football Club **takes on** Liverpool in this week's *Match of the Day*. Which team will you be going for? | take on sb/sth<br>take sb/sth on |
| In the 90's, Google took Yahoo on in the battle to be the top search engine. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take out** | Maria wants to buy an apartment, so she's going to talk to her bank manager about **taking** a loan **out** to pay for it. | take sth out<br>take out sth |
| Travellers usually take out health insurance if they're going overseas. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **take out** | I've got a rotten tooth and my dentist is going to **take** it **out** tomorrow. I hope it doesn't hurt too much! | take out sth<br>take sth out<br>take sth out of sth |
| After taking her purse out of her handbag, she took money out of her purse. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take out** | David is **taking** his boyfriend **out** to dinner in a famous Japanese restaurant tonight. | take sb out<br>take sb out to sth<br>take sb out for sth |
| Can you remember the first time you took someone out on a date? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **ask out** |
| **take out on** | Bob often gets angry with his boss, but he can't do anything about it so he goes home and **takes** his anger **out on** his wife by yelling at her. | take sth out on sb/sth |
| He sometimes takes his frustrations out on his dog by giving it a little kick. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take over** | The company's new owner will **take over** next month, but until he does the current manager will be in charge. | take over<br>take sth over<br>take over sth |
| We're still looking for someone to take over from Lee when he retires. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take to** | The kids didn't like their new teacher at first, but they've **taken to** him since they started using games and having fun in his classes. | take to sb/sth<br>take to doing sth |
| My wife has recently taken to gardening in a big way. She loves it! | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take up** | My father **took** golf **up** after he retired from work, and now he plays nearly every day. | take sth up<br>take up sth |
| It's good for recovering drug addicts to take up a team sport, like volleyball. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **take to** |
| **take up** | We're selling the grand piano because it's much too big for our new apartment and **takes up** too much room. | take up sth<br>take sth up |
| He loves chess, but says running the chess club takes up too much time. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take up** | If we can't finish the job today, we'll stop and **take** it **up** again in the morning. | take sth up<br>take up sth |
| The committee will take up the issue again when they've got more details. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take up** | These jeans fit well around the waist, but they're a bit too long. If I buy them, will you **take** them **up** for me? | take up sth<br>take sth up |
| The skirt was too long but she said she could take it up herself at home. | ✍ | 🕮 |
| **take up on** | You should **take** Miguel **up on** his offer to help you out with your website. I've seen one of his sites and it looks pretty good. | take sb up on sth |
| Let's take Jenny up on her invitation to stay at her beach house. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **talk back** | My son gets into trouble for speaking impolitely to his teachers. They say he **talks back** to them when they ask him to do something. | talk back<br>talk back to sb |
| Most students in Asia don't talk back to their teachers or speak rudely. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **answer back** |

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| **talk down to** | I hate the way Helen **talks down to** our cleaner. It sounds like she thinks she's talking to a child or someone with brain damage. | talk down to sb |
| Do you ever talk down to people just because they're poorer than you? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **look down on** (also assumes superiority) |

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| **talk into** | Miyoko didn't want to join the English class, but Sue **talked** her **into** it by saying it'd help her get a good job in the future. | talk sb into sth<br>talk sb into (doing) sth |
| He told the judge his boss talked him into making the false tax claims. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **talk round, bring around** |

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| **talk out of** | His mother tried to **talk** Nathan **out of** joining up and becoming a soldier, but he wouldn't change his mind. He thought it was his duty. | talk sb out of sth<br>talk sb out of (doing) sth |
| Once Lei has made up her mind, it's hard to talk her out of doing something. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **talk round** | Bob says his wife votes Republican. He's tried to **talk** her **round** to voting for the Democrats, but she won't change her mind. | talk sb round |
| It took a while, but we finally talked him round and he agreed to help out. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bring around, talk into** |

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| **talk through** | If you have trouble setting up your internet connection, call the service line and a technician will **talk** you **through** it on the phone. | talk sb through sth<br>talk sth through with sb |
| If he has problems at work, he talks through the issues with his friends. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **tear apart** | When the bomb exploded, it **tore** the car **apart** and left behind a terrible scene of smoking wreckage and burnt remains. | tear sth apart |
| Nothing tears more marriages apart than one partner's abuse of trust. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **tear down** | They're going to **tear down** our beautiful old church and put up another shopping mall. | tear down sth<br>tear sth down |
| Many people protested against the plan to tear their old market down. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **knock down, pull down** |

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| **tear up** | After she read the letter from her boyfriend, she **tore** it **up** into little pieces and then she burst into tears. | tear up sth<br>tear sth up |
| The angry workers tore up their work contracts in front of the TV cameras. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **tell apart** | All the puppies look the same to me. How do you **tell** them **apart**? | tell sth/sb apart<br>tell sth/sb apart from sth/sb |
| How do you tell real banknotes apart from counterfeit ones? | ✍ | 🕮 |

| **tell off** | My swimming coach **told** me **off** whenever I got to training late. He'd yell and say he'd kick me off the team if I ever came late again. | tell sb off<br>tell sb off for doing/not doing sth |
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| Our boss told us off for not being creative enough in our work. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **lay into** (inf) |

| **think of** | What did you **think of** the movie? Was it good, or not? | think of sth/sb |
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| Find out what our TV subscribers think of the new programming ideas. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **make of** |

| **think over** | Ted was offered a new job today. He says he'll **think** it **over** carefully before deciding whether to take it or not. | think sth over<br>think over sth |
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| Take your time to think things over before coming to a decision. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **reflect on**, **think through** |

| **think through** | The judge told the members of the jury to **think** the case **through** carefully before coming to a decision. | think sth through<br>think through sth |
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| He didn't think through the consequences of his action before doing it. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **reflect on**, **think over** |

| **think up** | The boss wants me to go to a trade fair in China, but I don't want to go. I'll have to **think up** a good excuse so I can get out of it. | think up sth<br>think sth up |
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| We love the new marketing plan. Who thought it up? | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **come up with**, **cook up** (inf), **make up** |

| **throw away / out** | Make sure you don't **throw away** any newspapers while you're cleaning up. I'll **throw** them **out** myself after I've read them. | throw away/out sth<br>throw sth away/out |
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| Let's throw out our old furniture and buy some new stuff. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **dispose of** |

| **throw in** (informal) | It's always a good idea to **throw** something **in** for free to make it a better deal for your customers. | throw in sth<br>throw sth in |
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| A free set of kitchen knives is thrown in with every new subscription. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **throw up** | Jim drank too much and **threw up** in Jenny's car while she was driving him home. She made him clean up the mess himself. | throw up<br>throw up sth |
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| I saw a doctor after I'd thrown up my lunch. He said I had food poisoning. | ✍ | 📖 |

| **tidy up** | Most of the time our house is messy, but if we're expecting guests we **tidy up** and it's clean and neat for a day or two. | tidy up<br>tidy up sth/sb<br>tidy sth/sb up |
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| Their mum told the boys to tidy themselves up before going shopping. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **clean up** |

| **tie up** | My little girl has just learned how to **tie up** her shoelaces. She's so proud of herself that she's showing everyone how she does it. | tie up sth<br>tie sth up |
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| After negotiating for several days, we finally tied up the deal. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **do up** (for belts, laces, buttons, etc.) |

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| **tie up** | The new CEO wanted to spend his time reorganizing the company, but he kept getting **tied up** with day-to-day issues instead. | (be/get) tied up<br>(be/get) tied up with sth |
| She'll be tied up all morning, but she can see you after lunch. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **tie up** | You shouldn't **tie** all your money **up** in one company's stock. It's better to spread it around and buy stocks in several companies. | tie sth up<br>tie up sth |
| Her money was tied up in long-term investments, so she was short of cash. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **invest in** |

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| **tip off** | The police searched the girl's bag and found illegal drugs. Somebody had **tipped** them **off** and told them she was carrying cocaine. | tip sb off<br>tip off sb |
| Tom tips off his friends when he hears about stocks expected to rise. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **tone down** | David used to swear a lot in the office, but his boss told him to **tone** the language **down** and now he swears a lot less. | tone sth down<br>tone down sth |
| The director toned down the violence so the movie could get a family rating. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **top up** | Her mobile phone's nearly run out of pre-paid calls, so she's going to the phone shop to **top** it **up**. | top sth up<br>top up sth |
| The waiter offered to top up my drink, but I said I'd had enough. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fill up** |

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| **toss around** | When they were students, they'd stay up all night **tossing around** new ideas about politics, the arts, and the meaning of life. | toss sth around<br>toss around sth |
| Let's meet and toss around some ideas about marketing and sales. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **kick around** |

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| **touch on / upon** | The president **touched on** many important issues and topics in his speech. | touch on/upon sth |
| We should try not to touch upon subjects like politics and religion. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **bring up** |

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| **toy with** | Tom's been **toying with** the idea of going back to university to study law, but he hasn't looked into it seriously yet. | toy with sth |
| Do you think Joe's serious about quitting, or just toying with the idea? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **track down** | We need to **track down** every email we've ever received from this company. Do you think we can find them all? | track down sb/sth<br>track sb/sth down |
| It took the police a month to track the bank robbers down and arrest them. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hunt down** |

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| **try on** | Those jeans look too big for you. Did you **try** them **on** before you bought them? | try sth on<br>try on sth |
| It's hard to find a place to try on jeans when you buy them at a market. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **try out** | You can download the software and **try** it **out**. If it works well and does what you need to do, then you can buy it. | | try sth out<br>try out sth |
| Try out your new jokes on the office staff and see if they laugh. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **tune in** | Every morning while I'm driving to work I **tune in** to FM radio 99.5 and listen to the latest hit songs. | | tune in<br>tune in to sth |
| I loved tuning in to radio broadcasts of the football when I was a kid. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **listen in** | |

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| **turn against** | The fans used to like the new coach, but they **turned against** him when the team started losing lots of games. Some even booed him. | | turn against sb/sth |
| Even his family turned against him when he started beating his wife. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **go against** | |

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| **turn around** | The company's new CEO claims he'll be able to **turn** the company **around** and make it profitable again within two years. | | turn around<br>turn sth around |
| Her election campaign turned around when she did well in a big debate. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **turn away** | We wanted to look around a classy hotel we saw, but we were **turned away** by the doorman because we were wearing shorts and sandals. | | turn away sb<br>turn sb away |
| The embassy official turned him away because he didn't have any ID. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **turn down** | Ted **turned down** the job offer because it would have meant moving to Los Angeles and he doesn't want his kids living in that city. | | turn down sth/sb<br>turn sth/sb down |
| The court turned his appeal down, so he had to stay in jail. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **knock back** (inf) | |

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| **turn in** (informal) | I'm really tired so I'm going to **turn in**. I'll see you in the morning. | | turn in |
| It's too late to call her now. She usually turns in by ten o'clock. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **crash out** (inf) | |

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| **turn in** | You can leave after you've **turned in** your exam papers. | | turn in sth<br>turn sth in |
| All the students turned their reports in on time, except for James. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hand in** | |

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| **turn into** | Isn't it amazing how a caterpillar spends a few weeks inside a cocoon, and while it's in there it **turns into** a butterfly? | | turn into sth<br>turn sth into sth |
| Our CEO wants to turn our little company into a global corporation. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **change into** | |

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| **turn off** | **Turn off** the main road just after the bridge and then cross over the railway line. | | turn off sth |
| Be careful after you turn off the highway. It's easy to get lost. | ✍ | 🕮 | |

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| **turn off** | Don't forget to **turn off** the air conditioner before you leave the house. | turn off sth<br>turn sth off |
| Bob leaves his computer on, and only turns it off when he goes on vacation. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **shut off**, **switch off** |

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| **turn on** | Whoever gets to the office first in the morning has to **turn on** the air conditioning. | turn on sth<br>turn sth on |
| The first thing the kids do when they get home from school is turn the TV on. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **put on**, **switch on** |

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| **turn out** | Don't forget to **turn out** the lights before you go to bed. | turn out sth<br>turn sth out |
| I didn't turn the lights out because I fell asleep while watching TV. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **turn off**, **switch off** |

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| **turn out** | They weren't sure if a holiday in Cambodia was a good idea, but it **turned out** to be a great experience, especially visiting Angkor Wat. | turn out |
| The seminar turned out better than we'd expected. It was a great success. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **work out**, **pan out** |

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| **turn out** | Lots of people **turn out** to see the Mardi Gras parade in New Orleans every year. | turn out<br>turn out to sth<br>turn out to do sth |
| Not many people turned out to watch the golf because of the rain. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come along**, **show up** (inf), **turn up** |

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| **turn out** | If we get the new production machines we could **turn out** over 1000 units a day instead of the 500 a day we produce now. | turn out sth<br>turn sth out |
| Now we turn our products out in half the time it used to take. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **crank out** (inf; for cheap, fast production) |

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| **turn over** | The teacher told the students to **turn over** their exam papers and begin work. | turn over sth<br>turn sth over |
| Cook the steak on one side for about 5 minutes and then turn it over. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **turn to** | After his business failed, David **turned to** his father for help and advice. | turn to sb/sth<br>turn to sb/sth for sth |
| A lot of people turn to religion for peace of mind when life gets difficult. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **resort to** |

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| **turn up** | I can't hear the TV. Could you **turn** it **up**, please? | turn sth up<br>turn up sth |
| It's too cold in here. Would you mind if I turned up the heater? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **turn up** | Thousands of people **turned up** to see the parade and watch the fireworks. | turn up<br>turn up to do sth<br>turn up at/to sth |
| Did you expect reporters to turn up at the court to follow the case? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come along**, **show up**, **turn out** |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions T t

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 't'...**

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| 1 | Our CD sales began falling last year, and this year they've tailed _ _ _ even more. | (3 letters) |
| 2 | He was taken _ _ _ _ _ by the news that he'd been promoted. He hadn't expected it. | (5 letters) |
| 3 | Carlo takes _ _ _ _ _ his father more than his mother, both in looks and in personality. | (5 letters) |
| 4 | He took his bicycle _ _ _ _ _ _, did some repairs, and then put it back together again. | (5 letters) |
| 5 | The technician wanted to take the computer _ _ _ _, but we asked him to fix it here. | (4 letters) |
| 6 | Have you _ _ _ _ _ those books you borrowed back to the library yet? | (5 letters) |
| 7 | Before you paint the walls, please take _ _ _ _ the paintings and put them in the hall. | (4 letters) |
| 8 | He took me _ _ _ a fool and tried to sell me a fake gold necklace. | (3 letters) |
| 9 | Did you take _ _ what he said, or was it too difficult to understand? | (2 letters) |
| 10 | These pants are too big, so I'll have to get my tailor to take them _ _ for me. | (2 letters) |
| 11 | Before you go into the temple, take _ _ _ your shoes. | (3 letters) |
| 12 | His family watched and waved as his plane _ _ _ _ off. | (4 letters) |
| 13 | After the movie was a hit, sales of the book it was based on took _ _ _. | (3 letters) |
| 14 | We don't have enough workers, so we need to _ _ _ _ on several more. | (4 letters) |
| 15 | Linda's too busy to take _ _ any more students at the moment. | (2 letters) |
| 16 | In this week's *Match of the Day*, Chelsea is _ _ _ _ _ _ on Liverpool. | (6 letters) |
| 17 | Jenny wants to buy an apartment, so she's taking _ _ _ a loan from the bank. | (3 letters) |
| 18 | Peter's going to the dentist to have his rotten tooth _ _ _ _ _ out. | (5 letters) |
| 19 | Don't forget that we're taking Martina _ _ _ for lunch on her birthday. | (3 letters) |
| 20 | That game of squash I had after work took a lot out _ _ me. I'm really tired tonight. | (2 letters) |
| 21 | My father took _ _ golf after he retired from work, and now he plays nearly every day. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | The new manager will be taking _ _ _ _ from the current manager next week. | (4 letters) |
| 23 | After lunch, we'll take the discussion _ _ again from where we left off. | (2 letters) |
| 24 | Jim gets angry at work, then goes home and takes it out _ _ his kids by yelling at them. | (2 letters) |
| 25 | They're selling the dining table because it's too big and takes _ _ too much room. | (2 letters) |
| 26 | The staff didn't take _ _ their new boss at first, but they like her now. | (2 letters) |
| 27 | These pants are too long. I'll have to get my tailor to take them _ _. | (2 letters) |
| 28 | Are you going to take Mike up _ _ his offer of a job? | (2 letters) |
| 29 | Jose's mother tried to talk him _ _ _ of leaving school, but he wouldn't listen to her. | (3 letters) |
| 30 | Billy gets into trouble for being rude at school and talking _ _ _ _ to his teachers. | (4 letters) |
| 31 | I hate the way she talks _ _ _ _ to poor people and acts as if she's so superior to them. | (4 letters) |
| 32 | His mother talked him out _ _ joining the army because she was afraid he'd be killed. | (2 letters) |
| 33 | His father talked him _ _ _ _ going to university instead of getting a job. | (4 letters) |
| 34 | Before deciding on whether to take the job, he'll talk it _ _ _ _ _ _ _ with his family. | (7 letters) |
| 35 | A shopping mall will be built after the church is torn _ _ _ _. | (4 letters) |
| 36 | After she'd read her ex-boyfriend's letter, she tore it _ _ and threw away the pieces. | (2 letters) |
| 37 | When the bomb exploded, it tore the bus _ _ _ _ _ and killed everyone on board. | (5 letters) |
| 38 | The kittens all look the same to me. I can't _ _ _ _ them apart. | (4 letters) |
| 39 | Our teacher used to tell us _ _ _ whenever we were late. | (3 letters) |
| 40 | How did she _ _ _ _ _ up all those amazing details in the Harry Potter books. | (5 letters) |
| 41 | The judge thought the case _ _ _ _ _ _ _ carefully before deciding on his verdict. | (7 letters) |
| 42 | He thought it _ _ _ _ for a few days before deciding to quit his job. | (4 letters) |
| 43 | I've been thinking _ _ moving to London to live. | (2 letters) |
| 44 | What else can we throw _ _ for free to make it a better deal for our customers? | (2 letters) |
| 45 | They got together to toss _ _ _ _ _ _ a few ideas on new directions in design. | (6 letters) |
| 46 | I can't find yesterday's newspaper. Did you throw it _ _ _ ? | (3 letters) |
| 47 | James drank too much wine and threw _ _ in the bathroom. | (2 letters) |
| 48 | Did Jim really get thrown _ _ _ of the club for getting drunk and starting a fight? | (3 letters) |
| 49 | She told her son he couldn't go out until he'd tidied _ _ his room. | (2 letters) |
| 50 | Farmer Bob will _ _ _ the calf up with some rope and put it in the back of his truck. | (3 letters) |
| 51 | Most experts say you shouldn't tie all your money _ _ in shares on the stock market. | (2 letters) |
| 52 | After seeing someone selling drugs near her school, Carlotta tipped _ _ _ the police. | (3 letters) |
| 53 | He used to swear a lot, but he stopped after his boss told him to _ _ _ _ down his language. | (4 letters) |
| 54 | He'll be tied _ _ in meetings all day, but you can see him tomorrow. | (2 letters) |
| 55 | My phone has run out of pre-paid calls, so I'd better _ _ _ it up. | (3 letters) |
| 56 | A lot of interesting topics were touched _ _ in the discussion. | (2 letters) |
| 57 | They're toying _ _ _ _ the idea of moving to a new town, but they haven't decided yet. | (4 letters) |
| 58 | Did you track _ _ _ _ all the emails we've sent to our lawyer? | (4 letters) |
| 59 | You should try _ _ the jeans to make sure they fit before you buy them. | (2 letters) |
| 60 | Did you try the phone _ _ _ before you bought it to make sure it worked properly. | (3 letters) |
| 61 | Jimmy liked tuning _ _ to the jazz and blues stations on the radio when he was young. | (2 letters) |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 't'...**

62 Fans usually turn _ _ _ _ _ _ _ athletes who are caught cheating by using steroids. (7 letters)
63 Our company is struggling, but the new CEO says he's going to turn things _ _ _ _ _ _ . (6 letters)
64 The restaurant turned him _ _ _ _ because he wasn't wearing a jacket and a tie. (4 letters)
65 Kate was offered a good job, but she turned it _ _ _ _ because she didn't want to move. (4 letters)
66 I'm really tired so I'm going to turn _ _ . See you in the morning. (2 letters)
67 The students couldn't leave until they'd turned _ _ their exam papers. (2 letters)
68 Turn _ _ _ the main road at the second set of traffic lights. (3 letters)
69 Don't forget to turn the heater _ _ _ before you go to bed. (3 letters)
70 Whoever gets to the office first has to turn _ _ the coffee machine. (2 letters)
71 Are you sure you _ _ _ _ _ _ out the lights before you went to bed? (6 letters)
72 The chocolate cake turned _ _ _ much better than we'd expected. It was delicious. (3 letters)
73 Lots of people turned _ _ _ to see the parade. (3 letters)
74 The new factory can turn _ _ _ a thousand computers a day. (3 letters)
75 After a minute or two, turn the egg _ _ _ _ and cook the other side. (4 letters)
76 He _ _ _ _ _ _ up an hour late and the meeting was already over. (6 letters)
77 I can't hear the TV. Could you turn it _ _ a bit, please? (2 letters)

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| **wait around** | Doctors sometimes get behind schedule and their patients have to **wait around** for a long time before seeing them. | wait around<br>wait around for sth/sb |
| Our flight was delayed, so we had to wait around in the airport for hours. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **hang around, sit around** |

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| **wait on** | One of the staff **waiting on** guests at the presidential dinner spilled wine on the president's wife. He lost his job. | wait on sb |
| The CEO has a personal assistant who waits on him 'hand and foot'. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wait up** | I'll be working late tonight and I'm not sure what time I'll be getting home, so don't **wait up** for me. Just go to bed at the usual time. | wait up<br>wait up for sb |
| She waited up most of the night for her teenage daughter to come home. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stay up** |

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| **wake up** | If Bobby's still asleep at 7 o'clock, could you **wake** him **up** and make sure he gets up? He's got to catch the bus at 8.15. | wake up<br>wake sb up<br>wake up sb |
| Neil fell asleep in the seminar so I poked him in the ribs and he woke up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **walk out** | He didn't try to work on the problems he had in his marriage. He just **walked out** on his family and never came back. | walk out<br>walk out on sb<br>walk out of sth |
| She walked out when her husband beat her, and she's never been back. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **run out on** |

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| **ward off** | The economic recession destroyed many companies, and many others had to **ward** the effects **off** by reducing costs and limiting expenditure. | ward sth off<br>ward off sth |
| Many people believe that vitamin C can ward off the common cold. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **fend off, fight off** |

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| **warm up** | His wife left some food in the oven for him to **warm up** when he got home. | warm up<br>warm sth/sb up<br>warm up sth/sb |
| It's freezing at night in the desert, but it warms up when the sun comes up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **heat up** |

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| **warm up** | Before the game, the players **warmed up** by jogging and doing some stretching exercises. | warm up |
| The choir did some vocal exercises to warm up before the concert. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wash away** | Many houses were **washed away** by the huge tsunami waves that followed an earthquake off the coast of Sumatra in 2004. | (be) washed away<br>wash away sth<br>wash sth away |
| The river flooded and the water washed away many roads and bridges. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wash down** | We had a delicious salmon steak with salad and **washed** it **down** with a good white wine. | wash sth down<br>wash down sth |
| Would you mind getting me a glass of water to wash down these pills? | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wash out** | The rain has **washed out** the Wimbledon tennis final, but it'll carry on in the morning unless rain **washes** it **out** again. | wash out sth<br>wash sth out<br>(be) washed out |
| This year's company picnic was washed out by a sudden rain storm. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **wash up**<br>(Brit/Aust) | You cooked the meal, so if you show me where the dishwashing liquid is, I'll **wash up**. | wash up<br>wash up sth<br>wash sth up |
| One of the jobs the kids do at home is washing up the dishes after dinner. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **wash up**<br>(Am) | Your hands and face are dirty. Go to the bathroom and **wash up** or you won't get any dinner! | wash up |
| I have trouble getting my son to wash up before meals. He's a lazy boy. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **clean (yourself) up** |

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| **watch out** | **Watch out**! There's a car coming! Get off the road. | watch out<br>watch out for sth/sb |
| Watch out for people on crowded buses who try to steal your wallet. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **look out** |

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| **water down** | The newspaper didn't want to be sued, so its corruption report was **watered down** and no politicians were accused of committing crimes. | water down sth<br>water sth down |
| The comedian had to water his act down for TV to make it less offensive. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **tone down** |

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| **wear down** | Using lots of punches to the body, the champion boxer gradually **wore down** his opponent and eventually won the fight. | wear down sb<br>wear sb down |
| The demands of the job wore me down so much that I had to quit. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **wear out** |

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| **wear off** | Nobody will be able to wake her up until the sleeping pills she took **wear off**. | wear off |
| The excitement of flying for the first time wore off, and Billy went to sleep. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **wear out** | I don't usually teach young kids. They **wear** me **out** after a while and I get very tired. | wear sb out |
| She works and takes care of three young kids so she sometimes gets worn out. | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **wear out** | I run ten kilometres every day and **wear** a pair of running shoes **out** in two or three months. Then I have to buy a new pair. | wear sth out<br>wear out sth |
| Are some products meant to wear out quickly so they'll need replacing? | ✍ | 📖 |

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| **weed out** | The new government will try to **weed** corrupt officials **out**. They'll arrest them, charge them, and punish them if they're found guilty in court. | weed sb/sth out<br>weed out sb/sth |
| They weed out workers who aren't performing well, and fire them. | ✍ | 📖 *see also:* **root out** |

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| **weigh down** | The manager took some time off work because the company's problems **weighed** him **down** and the stress was affecting his health. | weigh sb down<br>(be) weighed down by sth |
| He felt weighed down by his responsibilities both at work and at home. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **weigh in** | After listening to the discussion, Mandy **weighed in** with some ideas of her own and everyone listened as she shared her thoughts. | weigh in<br>weigh in with sth |
| Feel free to join in the debate. We all weigh in with our own opinions. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jump in, join in** |

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| **weigh up** | The judge told the jury to **weigh** the evidence **up** carefully before deciding whether the accused man was guilty or innocent. | weigh sth up<br>weigh up sth |
| We weigh up risks and potential benefits before making an investment. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **size up** |

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| **whip up** | There were people at the protest who were paid to **whip** the crowd **up** into an angry mood so they'd start fighting and look bad in the media. | whip sth up<br>whip up sth |
| Marketing firms try to whip up excitement about products they're selling. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **stir up** |

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| **win back** | People who gamble often think they can **win back** money they've lost by gambling some more, but it doesn't usually work that way. | win back sth/sb<br>win sth/sb back |
| We lost one of our regular customers, but we're trying to win them back. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **get back** |

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| **win over** | It took a lot of persuasion, but we finally **won** George **over** and he's agreed to help us out. | win sb over<br>win over sb |
| The lawyer used charm and clever arguments to win over the jury. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **talk round, bring around** |

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| **wind down** | After selling most of the apartments, they began to **wind down** their marketing campaign. | wind down<br>wind down sth<br>wind sth down |
| They'll wind down CD production and boost online music distribution. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wind up** | If he doesn't stop making silly mistakes, he'll **wind up** losing his job. | wind up<br>wind up doing sth |
| If you don't get a good education, you might wind up in a dull job. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **end up, finish up** |

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| **wind up** | The chairman looked at his watch and decided it was time to **wind up** the meeting. He didn't want to be late for his game of golf. | wind up sth<br>wind sth up |
| The judge decided it was time to go home and told the lawyers to wind it up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **wrap up** |

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| **wipe out** | The government tried to **wipe out** the mafia, but all they could do was put away a few of the less important members. | wipe out sth<br>wipe sth out |
| Rising sea levels could wipe many low-lying coastal cities out. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wise up** | It took a long time, but George finally **wised up** to the fact that his business was going to fail no matter how hard he worked. | wise up<br>wise up to sth |
| After stress-related illnesses, Tanya wised up and decided to work less. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **cotton on** (inf) |

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| **work out** | Mark was overweight so he decided to lose weight by going to the gym every day and **working out**. | work out |
| Susan doesn't work out, but she keeps fit by doing yoga and swimming. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **work out** | Mark's plan to lose weight didn't **work out** as he'd hoped. He hurt his back at the gym and couldn't do any exercise for weeks. | work out |
| It didn't look good at first, but the plan worked out well in the end. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **come off**, **pan out**, **turn out** |

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| **work out** | Mark tried to **work out** another way to lose weight. His doctor said he should cut out desserts, but Mark said he just couldn't give them up. | work out sth<br>work sth out |
| How much would it cost to set up an office in Rio? Can you work it out? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **figure out** |

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| **wrap up** | We wanted to **wrap** Jill's birthday present **up** but we couldn't find any birthday paper, so we had to use some plain paper instead. | wrap sth up<br>wrap up sth |
| We spent hours wrapping up Chinese New Year gifts for our Asian friends. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **wrap up** | We'd been working on the deal for months and after finally **wrapping** it **up**, we all went to the pub to celebrate. | wrap sth up<br>wrap up sth |
| We'll have to wrap up the discussion now, so any final comments? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **wind up** |

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| **write down** | After chatting the girl up for a while, Tim **wrote** his name and number **down** on a piece of paper and gave it to her. | write sth down<br>write down sth |
| Did anyone write down the car's registration number? | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **jot down**, **note down** |

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| **write off** | After accepting that their CD production business was going to fail, they **wrote off** their investment and closed down the factory. | write off sth<br>write sth off |
| We won't get the money back, so we'll have to write it off as a bad debt. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **write out** | I waited while my doctor **wrote out** the prescription for the medicine I needed. | write out sth<br>write sth out |
| The policeman smiled, wrote a speeding ticket out, and gave it to me. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **write up** | After finding all the figures and information she needed, Rosie began **writing up** her marketing report. | write up sth<br>write sth up |
| A reporter collects all the facts she can about a story before writing it up. | ✍ | 🕮 |

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'w'...**

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| 1 | My dentist was running late, so I had to wait _ _ _ _ _ _ for ages before seeing her. | (6 letters) |
| 2 | The waiter who was waiting _ _ table 7 was in trouble after a complaint about service. | (2 letters) |
| 3 | He told his wife he'd be working late that night and not to bother waiting _ _ for him. | (2 letters) |
| 4 | Because his alarm clock didn't go off, Bill didn't wake _ _ until 10 o'clock this morning. | (2 letters) |
| 5 | People say you walked out _ _ your first family and haven't supported them? Is it true? | (2 letters) |
| 6 | Some businesses failed, but most were able to ward _ _ _ the effects of the recession. | (3 letters) |
| 7 | The food was cold by the time I got home, so I _ _ _ _ _ _ it up in the oven. | (6 letters) |
| 8 | Before the game, they did some stretches and then ran around a bit to warm _ _ . | (2 letters) |
| 9 | His comic strip was too controversial, so it had to be watered _ _ _ _ for newspapers. | (4 letters) |
| 10 | We had pasta with salad for lunch and washed it _ _ _ _ with a nice white wine. | (4 letters) |
| 11 | A rain storm came and washed _ _ _ the game, so it'll be played tomorrow instead. | (3 letters) |
| 12 | Your mum cooked the meal, I paid for the food, so who should wash _ _ the dishes? | (2 letters) |
| 13 | Your hands are dirty, so you'd better go to the bathroom and wash _ _ before dinner. | (2 letters) |
| 14 | Watch _ _ _! The bus isn't stopping, so get out of the way! | (3 letters) |
| 15 | Jim didn't want to get drunk, so he watered _ _ _ _ his beer. | (4 letters) |
| 16 | It was a really stressful job and the work wore me _ _ _ _ . After six months I had to quit. | (4 letters) |
| 17 | He had a bad hangover this morning, but it's worn _ _ _ now and he feels a lot better. | (3 letters) |
| 18 | I bought new running shoes because my old ones had worn _ _ _ . | (3 letters) |
| 19 | The government is trying to weed _ _ _ corrupt officials and charge them. | (3 letters) |
| 20 | He felt weighed _ _ _ _ by all his responsibilities, but he knew he had to go on. | (4 letters) |
| 21 | After listening to the discussion for a while, Sam weighed _ _ with an opinion of his own. | (2 letters) |
| 22 | The members of the jury _ _ _ _ _ _ _ up all the evidence before coming to a decision. | (7 letters) |
| 23 | Movie publicists have many ways of whipping _ _ excitement about their new movies. | (2 letters) |
| 24 | Joe lost money playing cards. He tried to win it _ _ _ _ , but ended up losing even more. | (4 letters) |
| 25 | At first she wasn't interested, but Ken eventually won her _ _ _ _ and they went on a date. | (4 letters) |
| 26 | After a hard day's work, he goes to the pub to wind _ _ _ _ and relax with his friends. | (4 letters) |
| 27 | If he keeps building up his business, he'll wind _ _ being a millionaire. | (2 letters) |
| 28 | It was getting late, so the chairman wound the meeting _ _ and everyone went home. | (2 letters) |
| 29 | The government is trying to wipe the drugs trade _ _ _ , but it's very difficult to do. | (3 letters) |
| 30 | The hurricane was so destructive that it _ _ _ _ _ out many small towns on the coast. | (5 letters) |
| 31 | After weight-related illnesses, Mary wised _ _ and began to eat less and exercise more. | (2 letters) |
| 32 | After putting on weight, Mark decided to lose it by working _ _ _ at the gym every day. | (3 letters) |
| 33 | Mark's plan to lose weight didn't _ _ _ _ out too well. He hurt his back lifting weights. | (4 letters) |
| 34 | They couldn't get a bank loan, so they had to work _ _ _ another way to get the money. | (3 letters) |
| 35 | We found some nice paper and used it to _ _ _ _ up Jill's birthday present. | (4 letters) |
| 36 | After wrapping _ _ the company's biggest deal ever, the staff went out to celebrate. | (2 letters) |
| 37 | Peter wrote the address _ _ _ _ on a piece of paper and gave it to the messenger. | (4 letters) |
| 38 | They asked their accountant to look into writing _ _ _ the company's bad debts. | (3 letters) |
| 39 | The policeman wrote _ _ _ a speeding ticket and then I drove off, slowly. | (3 letters) |
| 40 | She spent a few days collecting the information and then quickly wrote _ _ her report. | (2 letters) |

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| **yearn for** (formal) | Our grandma is still getting over the loss of our grandpa. She still **yearns for** the sound of his voice and the touch of his hand. | yearn for sth |
| After a month in Cuba, he yearned for the taste of a Big Mac and fries. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **long for** |

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| **yell out** | It was very noisy in the stadium. Fans were **yelling out** as loud as they could to cheer on their team. | yell out<br>yell out sth<br>yell sth out |
| Most teachers don't like their students yelling out and being noisy in class. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **call out, cry out** |

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| **zero in on** | The police watched many mafia members, and then **zeroed in on** the godfather's home, raided it, and arrested him. | zero in on sth/sb |
| After searching for him for months, police zeroed in on a town in Sicily. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **close in (on), focus on** |

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| **zip around** | Our messenger **zips around** on his scooter, picking up and dropping off packages and documents. | zip around |
| He says zipping around on a bicycle is faster than using a motorbike. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **zip up** | Make sure you haven't forgotten to **zip up** your fly before you go on stage to give your speech. | zip up sth<br>zip sth up |
| She asked me to help her out by zipping her dress up. | ✍ | 🕮 *see also:* **do up** |

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| **zoom in** | Before taking the picture, the photographer **zoomed in** so he could get a good shot of the girl's face. | zoom in<br>zoom in on sth/sb |
| After zooming in on her face and checking the focus, he took the photo. | ✍ | 🕮 |

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| **zoom out** | Before taking the next picture, the photographer **zoomed out** so he could get the girl's whole family in the photograph. | zoom out |
| If the text on your monitor is too big, zoom out and it will get smaller. | ✍ | 🕮 |

# 1000 Phrasal Verb Quiz Questions YZ yz

**Complete the sentences so that each includes a phrasal verb beginning with 'y' or 'z'...**

1 While she was away, she yearned _ _ _ the cosy feeling of being in her own bed. (3 letters)
2 Their teacher got mad because the kids were yelling _ _ _ and being noisy in class. (3 letters)
3 Police hunted for members of the mafia, hoping to zero in _ _ their boss and arrest him. (2 letters)
4 Harry was very embarrassed when he realised he hadn't zipped _ _ his fly. (2 letters)
5 The messenger zips _ _ _ _ _ _ on his bicycle and makes a living while keeping fit. (6 letters)
6 Before taking the picture, the photographer zoomed _ _ on the boy's face. (2 letters)
7 If the text looks too big on your screen, zoom _ _ _ and it'll get smaller. (3 letters)

## More Phrasal Verbs

# Answer Sheets for Quiz Questions

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| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
| 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 |
| 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
| 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 |
| 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 |
| 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 |
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| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
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| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
| 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 |
| 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
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| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
| 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 |
| 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
| 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 |
| 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 |
| 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 |
| 79 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 |
| 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 |
| 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 | 101 | 102 |
| 103 | 104 | 105 | 106 | 107 | 108 |
| 109 | 110 | 111 | 112 | 113 | 114 |
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| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 |
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| 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
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| 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 |
| 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | |

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| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 | | |

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# Key To Quiz Questions

**A**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 for | 2 act | 3 on | 4 acting | 5 to | 6 up |
| 7 add | 8 at | 9 allow | 10 to | 11 back | 12 for |
| 13 appeal | 14 apply | 15 at | 16 asked | 17 ask | 18 out |
| 19 ask | 20 to | 21 attend | 22 out | | |

**B**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 down | 2 out | 3 of | 4 up | 5 up | 6 bail |
| 7 out | 8 on | 9 based | 10 bear | 11 down | 12 up |
| 13 down | 14 up | 15 of | 16 up | 17 with | 18 in |
| 19 to | 20 on | 21 out | 22 blacked | 23 out | 24 up |
| 25 blew | 26 out | 27 over | 28 up | 29 blow | 30 back |
| 31 out | 32 over | 33 branch | 34 away | 35 broke | 36 down |
| 37 down | 38 in | 39 on | 40 into | 41 off | 42 out |
| 43 off | 44 in | 45 out | 46 of | 47 up | 48 broke |
| 49 breaking | 50 up | 51 about | 52 along | 53 around | 54 to |
| 55 brought | 56 down | 57 forward | 58 in | 59 off | 60 on |
| 61 out | 62 up | 63 on | 64 for | 65 build | 66 up / on |
| 67 into | 68 down | 69 out | 70 in | 71 bought | 72 up |

**C**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 call | 2 for | 3 off | 4 on | 5 calls | 6 out |
| 7 up | 8 down | 9 care | 10 for | 11 on | 12 carry |
| 13 on | 14 out | 15 on | 16 caught | 17 up | 18 with |
| 19 on | 20 with | 21 to | 22 change | 23 over | 24 with |
| 25 up | 26 up | 27 out | 28 in | 29 into | 30 on |
| 31 of | 32 out | 33 over | 34 through | 35 on | 36 up |
| 37 out | 38 chop | 39 up | 40 down | 41 clean / clear | 42 off |
| 43 out | 44 up | 45 clearing | 46 up | 47 to | 48 up |
| 49 down | 50 in | 51 around | 52 with | 53 about | 54 across |
| 55 as | 56 along | 57 come | 58 apart | 59 around | 60 away |
| 61 to | 62 around | 63 by | 64 down | 65 with | 66 from |
| 67 in | 68 comes | 69 into | 70 for | 71 of | 72 off |
| 73 on | 74 coming | 75 out | 76 out | 77 out / off | 78 come |
| 79 over | 80 through | 81 for | 82 to | 83 under | 84 comes |
| 85 up | 86 against | 87 to | 88 up | 89 with | 90 to |
| 91 with | 92 of | 93 out | 94 to | 95 up | 96 cool |
| 97 off | 98 out | 99 to | 100 up | 101 on | 102 up |
| 103 do | 104 for | 105 counted | 106 in | 107 out | 108 count |
| 109 up | 110 down | 111 up | 112 out | 113 up | 114 out |
| 115 on | 116 up | 117 out / off | 118 around | 119 cried | 120 for |
| 121 in | 122 up | 123 across | 124 back | 125 on | 126 back/down |
| 127 down | 128 off | 129 out | 130 out | 131 for | 132 up |

**D**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 on | 2 in | 3 deal | 4 with | 5 against | 6 on |
| 7 depend | 8 on | 9 from | 10 to | 11 down | 12 for |
| 13 out / off | 14 dig | 15 into | 16 of | 17 up | 18 about |
| 19 away | 20 up | 21 up | 22 with | 23 without | 24 off |
| 25 on | 26 upon | 27 up | 28 of | 29 up / of | 30 out |
| 31 by | 32 drop | 33 off | 34 drop | 35 out | 36 up |
| 37 down | | | | | |

**E**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 eat | 2 into | 3 out | 4 up | 5 on | 6 on |
| 7 up | 8 with | 9 in | 10 into | 11 to | 12 up |
| 13 to | | | | | |

**F**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 face | 2 with | 3 in | 4 apart | 5 back | 6 behind |
| 7 for | 8 off | 9 out | 10 over / down | 11 through | 12 for |
| 13 off | 14 back | 15 off | 16 on | 17 out | 18 out |
| 19 fill | 20 in | 21 on | 22 out | 23 up | 24 out |

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| 25 off | 26 up | 27 with | 28 up | 29 in | 30 together |
| 31 up | 32 up | 33 out | 34 up | 35 through | 36 in |
| 37 on | 38 up | 39 around | 40 up | 41 up | 42 as |

**G**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 to | 2 get | 3 across | 4 getting | 5 ahead | 6 along |
| 7 with | 8 around | 9 get | 10 around | 11 to | 12 at |
| 13 away | 14 with | 15 back | 16 at | 17 to | 18 back |
| 19 by | 20 without | 21 down | 22 to | 23 in | 24 in |
| 25 into | 26 off | 27 off | 28 get | 29 over | 30 on / in |
| 31 off | 32 with | 33 on | 34 with | 35 onto | 36 of |
| 37 out | 38 over | 39 over | 40 through | 41 to | 42 through |
| 43 to | 44 up | 45 got | 46 to | 47 gives | 48 away |
| 49 back | 50 in / up | 51 in | 52 off | 53 out | 54 gives |
| 55 up | 56 to | 57 give | 58 about | 59 against | 60 ahead |
| 61 along | 62 away | 63 goes / went | 64 on | 65 by | 66 down |
| 67 with | 68 for | 69 going | 70 for | 71 to | 72 off |
| 73 goes / went | 74 off | 75 on | 76 going | 77 out | 78 out |
| 79 over | 80 went | 81 through | 82 gone / been | 83 with | 84 together |
| 85 down | 86 under | 87 up | 88 with | 89 without | 90 grown |
| 91 on | 92 up | 93 against | | | |

**H**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 back | 2 down | 3 in | 4 on | 5 out | 6 over / back |
| 7 around | 8 on | 9 out | 10 up | 11 to | 12 on |
| 13 over | 14 got | 15 back | 16 off | 17 up | 18 from |
| 19 of | 20 out | 21 away | 22 back | 23 on | 24 back |
| 25 hold | 26 down | 27 on | 28 to | 29 on | 30 up |
| 31 up | 32 hook | 33 down | 34 up | | |

**I**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 with | 2 on | 3 on | 4 on | 5 from | 6 on |
| 7 insisted | 8 in | 9 in / up | 10 over | 11 in | 12 out |
| 13 for | 14 in | | | | |

**J**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 jacked | 2 up | 3 in | 4 up | 5 down | 6 up |
| 7 at | 8 in | 9 out | | | |

**K**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 over | 2 at | 3 away | 4 from | 5 back / down | 6 down |
| 7 from | 8 from | 9 in | 10 off | 11 on | 12 out |
| 13 out | 14 of | 15 kept | 16 to | 17 under | 18 up |
| 19 with | 20 up | 21 in | 22 around | 23 back | 24 off |
| 25 out | 26 together | 27 around | 28 down | 29 around | 30 back |
| 31 out | 32 down | 33 off | 34 out | 35 as | 36 for |
| 37 of | 38 down | | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 up | 2 out | 3 onto | 4 off | 5 into | 6 aside |
| 7 down | 8 into | 9 off | 10 out | 11 around | 12 off |
| 13 to | 14 up | 15 on | 16 lay | 17 at | 18 behind |
| 19 in | 20 out | 21 left | 22 over | 23 to | 24 up |
| 25 let | 26 in | 27 on | 28 off | 29 off | 30 out |
| 31 of | 32 up | 33 down | 34 up | 35 up | 36 lit |
| 37 up | 38 in | 39 down | 40 off | 41 on | 42 through |
| 43 to | 44 up | 45 away | 46 up | 47 onto / into | 48 off / out |
| 49 for | 50 look | 51 around | 52 at | 53 back | 54 down |
| 55 for | 56 forward | 57 into | 58 upon | 59 out | 60 for |
| 61 over | 62 through | 63 up | 64 up | 65 to | 66 out |

**M**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 out | 2 in | 3 into | 4 of | 5 of | 6 out |
| 7 up | 8 making | 9 for | 10 out | 11 down | 12 up |
| 13 to | 14 up | 15 with | 16 about | 17 up | 18 out |

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| 19 for | 20 up | 21 in | 22 into | 23 with | 24 on |
| 25 out | 26 over / down | 27 through | | | |

**N**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 at | 2 down | 3 after | 4 down | 5 off | 6 around |
| 7 up | 8 down | 9 among | | | |

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| 1 to | 2 to | 3 up | 4 for | 5 out | 6 around |
| 7 in | 8 up | 9 up | | | |

**P Q**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 away | 2 in | 3 up | 4 packed | 5 out | 6 away |
| 7 by | 8 off | 9 on | 10 out | 11 up | 12 patch |
| 13 down | 14 pay | 15 back | 16 into | 17 off | 18 paid |
| 19 out / off | 20 up | 21 up | 22 in | 23 out | 24 on |
| 25 out | 26 up | 27 from | 28 on | 29 together | 30 up |
| 31 down | 32 down | 33 in | 34 ahead | 35 around | 36 down |
| 37 up | 38 plays | 39 in | 40 out | 41 to | 42 off |
| 43 up | 44 into | 45 out | 46 in | 47 up | 48 for |
| 49 back | 50 down | 51 in / up | 52 in | 53 off | 54 out |
| 55 over | 56 through | 57 together | 58 up | 59 around | 60 through |
| 61 across | 62 aside | 63 away | 64 back | 65 down | 66 to |
| 67 forward | 68 puts | 69 in | 70 putting | 71 for | 72 off |
| 73 off | 74 off | 75 on | 76 puts | 77 onto | 78 out |
| 79 through | 80 to | 81 together | 82 up | 83 with | 84 up |
| 85 down | | | | | |

**R**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 in | 2 round | 3 out | 4 into | 5 out | 6 on |
| 7 on | 8 of | 9 on | 10 to | 11 in | 12 to |
| 13 to | 14 off | 15 out | 16 up | 17 out | 18 in |
| 19 up | 20 down | 21 up | 22 off | 23 out | 24 across |
| 25 after | 26 against | 27 from | 28 by | 29 down | 30 ran |
| 31 in | 32 ran | 33 into | 34 into | 35 off | 36 with |
| 37 on | 38 out | 39 of | 40 over / down | 41 through | 42 to |
| 43 up | 44 against | 45 into | | | |

**S**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 up | 2 through | 3 together | 4 up | 5 see | 6 around |
| 7 off | 8 into | 9 out | 10 seeing | 11 through | 12 through |
| 13 to | 14 out | 15 sell | 16 out | 17 back | 18 for |
| 19 off | 20 out | 21 for | 22 about | 23 against | 24 aside |
| 25 back | 26 down | 27 in | 28 off | 29 off / out | 30 up |
| 31 set | 32 down | 33 for | 34 in | 35 on | 36 up |
| 37 off | 38 up | 39 up | 40 up | 41 down | 42 around |
| 43 off | 44 up | 45 down | 46 off | 47 out | 48 up |
| 49 up | 50 away | 51 off | 52 on | 53 up | 54 along |
| 55 in | 56 back / down | 57 down | 58 for | 59 in | 60 around |
| 61 out | 62 up | 63 up | 64 around | 65 in | 66 up |
| 67 down | 68 over | 69 up | 70 out | 71 sorted | 72 out |
| 73 up | 74 off | 75 for | 76 out | 77 speak | 78 up |
| 79 out | 80 up | 81 out | 82 up | 83 out | 84 out |
| 85 by | 86 down | 87 for | 88 in | 89 out | 90 for |
| 91 up | 92 for | 93 up | 94 to | 95 off | 96 out / off |
| 97 up | 98 away | 99 out | 100 on | 101 up | 102 down |
| 103 in | 104 out | 105 up | 106 at / to | 107 to | 108 by |
| 109 of | 110 out | 111 with | 112 up | 113 on | 114 by |
| 115 off | 116 over | 117 out | 118 out | 119 off | 120 up |
| 121 off | 122 on | | | | |

**T**

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| 1 off | 2 aback | 3 after | 4 apart | 5 away / back | 6 taken |
| 7 down | 8 for | 9 in | 10 in | 11 off | 12 took |
| 13 off | 14 take | 15 on | 16 taking | 17 out | 18 taken |

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| 19 out | 20 of | 21 up / to | 22 over | 23 up | 24 on |
| 25 up | 26 to | 27 up | 28 on | 29 out | 30 back |
| 31 down | 32 of | 33 into | 34 through | 35 down | 36 up |
| 37 apart | 38 tell | 39 off | 40 think | 41 through | 42 over |
| 43 of | 44 in | 45 around | 46 out | 47 up | 48 out |
| 49 up | 50 tie | 51 up | 52 off | 53 tone | 54 up |
| 55 top | 56 on | 57 with | 58 down | 59 on | 60 out |
| 61 in | 62 against | 63 around | 64 away / down | 65 down | 66 in |
| 67 in | 68 off | 69 off | 70 on | 71 turned | 72 out |
| 73 out | 74 out | 75 over | 76 turned | 77 up | |

**W**

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 around | 2 on | 3 up | 4 up | 5 on | 6 off |
| 7 warmed | 8 up | 9 down | 10 down | 11 out | 12 up |
| 13 up | 14 out | 15 down | 16 down | 17 off | 18 out |
| 19 out | 20 down | 21 in | 22 weighed | 23 up | 24 back |
| 25 over | 26 down | 27 up | 28 up | 29 out | 30 wiped |
| 31 up | 32 out | 33 work | 34 out | 35 wrap | 36 up |
| 37 down | 38 off | 39 out | 40 up | | |

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| 1 for | 2 out | 3 on | 4 up | 5 around | 6 in |
| 7 out | | | | | |

# APPENDIX 1

## RECOMMENDED REFERENCE WORKS

### PHRASAL VERB DICTIONARIES

***Cambridge Phrasal Verbs Dictionary (2nd edition)***
Cambridge University Press 2006
(Intermediate – Advanced)

One of the most comprehensive and up-to-date phrasal verb dictionaries currently available. It includes around 6,000 entries and is based on the Cambridge International Corpus, with definitions, example sentences and usage notes being derived from the 'real-life' language of the Corpus. It covers British, American and Australian English. Many of the definitions are quite long and detailed, but this is needed for accuracy in many cases. The example sentences provide a clear context and use simple, natural language.

***Macmillan Phrasal Verbs Plus (2nd edition)***
Macmillan Publishers Limited 2005
(Intermediate – Advanced)

Another comprehensive and up-to-date phrasal verb dictionary. It includes around 5,000 entries, with over 1,000 of the most frequently-used phrasal verbs highlighted in red text. The same device is used in other new Macmillan ESL dictionaries to help students focus on learning the most important vocabulary before learning more obscure words. British, American and Australian English are covered. Definitions are as simple and clear as possible and are written using a limited vocabulary of about 2,000 words. All entries include example sentences and many include synonyms, antonyms, common phrases and collocations, plus tips on usage where appropriate. The book also includes some basic grammar related to phrasal verbs as well as several more advanced language study articles and features. Highly recommended.

### PHRASAL VERB STUDY GUIDES

***English Phrasal Verbs in Use***
by Michael McCarthy and Felicity O'Dell
Cambridge University Press 2004
(Lower Intermediate – Intermediate)

This book organises around 1,000 phrasal verbs into 70 study units. Some units present several phrasal verbs that share the same main verb (eg. come along, come apart, come out, etc.), while other units present several phrasal verbs which share the same particle (eg. lift off, head off, send off, etc.) Other units present phrasal verbs which are related in function or topic, (eg. socializing, telephoning, health, weather, etc.) The book is part of Cambridge's widely-used 'In Use' series and follows the format used in this series. Each unit covers 2 pages, with one page presenting the material and the other containing a series of related exercises.

***English Phrasal Verbs in Use (Advanced)***
by Michael McCarthy and Felicity O'Dell
Cambridge University Press 2007
(Upper Intermediate – Advanced)

From the publisher: "This new edition of English Phrasal Verbs in Use is specifically designed for advanced level students looking to improve their knowledge of this often difficult area of the English language."

# APPENDIX 2

## RECOMMENDED ONLINE RESOURCES

### PHRASAL VERB DICTIONARIES ONLINE

***Phrasal Verb Demon Dictionary***
by Juan Antonio Pérez Herrera

One of the best phrasal verb dictionaries online. It is part of the excellent site www.phrasalverbdemon.com. This site a labour of love put together by Juan Antonio Pérez Herrera, a teacher of English in La Palma, Spain. The site also includes a searchable corpus plus quizzes, games, and tips on learning and teaching phrasal verbs. Highly recommended.
http://www.phrasalverbdemon.com/dictionarya.htm

***Cambridge Phrasal Verbs Dictionary***
by Cambridge University Press

The definitions here are probably the best available on the internet but the dictionary cannot be browsed, only searched. Entries are from the *Cambridge Phrasal Verbs Dictionary*, one of the most comprehensive and up-to-date phrasal verb dictionaries currently available. It is based on the Cambridge International Corpus, so the definitions and example sentences are based on language as it is actually used in day-to-day life. To look up a phrasal verb, write it in the search box and click 'Look it Up'.
http://dictionary.cambridge.org/default.asp?dictseeP

***Dictionary Of English Phrasal Verbs***
at UsingEnglish.com

A useful online resource. An alphabetical listing of nearly 2,500 phrasal verbs that includes basic definitions as well as example sentences and notes on whether the phrasal verb is transitive or intransitive, separable or non-separable and British, American or 'International'. Useful as a quick reference when online.
http://www.usingenglish.com/reference/phrasal-verbs/

### GRAMMATICAL EXPLANATIONS

***English Grammar: Explanations and Exercises***
by Mary Ansell
(Upper Intermediate - Advanced)

Chapter 27 'Phrasal Verbs'.
A detailed explanation of the grammar and usage of phrasal verbs. Could be of interest to advanced students and those studying grammar.
http://www.fortunecity.com/bally/durrus/153/gramch27.html

### INTERACTIVE GAMES AND QUIZZES

***Phrasal Verb Quizzes***
by Juan Antonio Pérez Herrera

A variety of games in various formats. One of the best collections of phrasal verb games on the internet, again on the excellent phrasalverbsdemon.com website. Includes cloze-type exercises, multiple-choice quizzes and matching games. Highly recommended.
http://www.phrasalverbdemon.com/quizzesintro.htm

*Phrasal Verb Matching Games*
by Matt Errey
(Beginner – Advanced)

This is a series of interactive Java games created by Matt Errey, the writer of this ebook. To play, try to match phrasal verbs with their Latinate synonyms by 'turning over' two cards to see if they match. If they match, they disappear. If they don't match, they'll turn back over and you then pick another pair. The game continues until you have found all the matching pairs and they've all disappeared.
These games can be found on several websites, including these two:

http://www.teflgames.com/msie_pv01.htm
http://www.englishclub.com/esl-games/matching.htm

*English Phrasal Verbs*
by Caroline Brown

A good collection of interactive games and exercises in various formats. Some are matching exercises, some are 'fill the blanks', and some are multiple-choice quizzes. Also features a good selection of contextual sentences for many of the most widely-used phrasal verbs.
http://www.carolinebrownenglishlessons.com/

**MULTIPLE CHOICE QUIZZES**

*Phrasal Verb Quizzes*
at UsingEnglish.com
(Intermediate – Advanced)

These are multiple choice quizzes in which you have to choose which of three words or phrases comes closest to the meaning of the phrasal verb. The first link below is to sets of phrasal verbs which share a main verb. The second is to sets of phrasal verbs which share a particle.

Link 1: http://www.usingenglish.com/reference/phrasal-verbs/quizzes-verbs.html
Link 2: http://www.usingenglish.com/reference/phrasal-verbs/preposition-at.html

*Idiom Quizzes*
by Letitia Bradley
(Intermediate – Advanced)

A series of 17 multiple choice quizzes which test phrasal verb comprehension. Each quiz tests 10 phrasal verbs which are related in various ways; some share a main verb, some share a particle, some are related to a particular topic (eg. crime, emotions, travel, etc.)
http://a4esl.org/q/h/idioms.html

*Business English Phrasal Verbs*
by Pearson Brown
(Intermediate – Advanced)

A useful collection of multiple-choice quizzes covering hundreds of phrasal verbs commonly used in business. Most of the contextual sentences are also related to business. The quizzes are interactive and are set up to keep track of the player's score.
http://www.better-english.com/multiword.htm

## MISSING WORD (CLOZE) EXERCISES

***Phrasal Verbs***
by Language Dynamics
(Intermediate)

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate prepositions or adverbs and click to check whether answers are correct or not. 20 exercises, each testing 10 to 20 phrasal verbs. Most exercises present phrasal verbs which share a main verb ( e.g. bring along, bring around, bring away, etc.)
http://www.englishpage.com/prepositions/prepositions.html

***Phrasal Verbs***
by Charles Kelly
(Intermediate)

A java quiz with 67 contextual sentences which have to be completed by adding one of 7 particles to form the correct phrasal verb. These quizzes are good in that they involve natural contextual sentences, rather than matching a phrasal verb with a vague definition or an approximate synonym.
http://a4esl.org/q/j/ck/fb-phrasalverbs.html

***3 Phrasal Verbs Flash Quizzes***
by Dennis Oliver
(Intermediate)

Players write in what they think is the correct particle to complete a contextual sentence. If answers are incorrect, a related multiple choice quiz appears. Good because they're based on natural contextual sentences.
1. http://a4esl.org/q/f/z/zz80bdo.htm
2. http://a4esl.org/q/f/z/zz77bdo.htm
3. http://a4esl.org/q/f/z/zz76bdo.htm